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Have a large quantity of books that I will exchange for stamps. Eight page price list of 175 Titles free. Edythe Doane, Box 911, Meriden, Conn. 35s

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Revenues U. S. Everyone sending for my price list will receive a stamp free. Walter W. Fritzche, Burlington, Ia. 35

Jump at these bargains. 50 Fr. Ger. Den etc. 10 cents. 25 U. S. Mexico etc. 6 cents 4 var. Jap. 4 cents and 2 var. Jap. used postals 10 cents. All for 22 cts post free. Geo. E. Mueller Berlin, Ont. 35s

We are willing to buy Canadian and New Foundland stamps at reasonable prices Send your duplicates and will also trade same for U.S. Approval books sent at 50% discount against good reference. Peshtigo Stamp Co. Peshtigo, Wis. 36

Stamp papers and Youth's Companion, 92-99, to exchange for stamps. Approval sheets, 66⅔% com. See other ad. W. Hammond, Palmyra, N. Y. 36

Send for my price list of stamps. You may want something from it. U. S. Revenues a specialty. Frank Wenzelberger, 2344 Bridge St, Sta. F. Phila, Pa. s

Just starting in business; two weeks delay. *unused. *4 Sudan, camel 15c; *4 Samoa '77 '82, 15c; *8 Bosnia 15c; 7 Shanghai 25c; 3 Hawaii '94, 7c; 6 Canada '68, ½-12½c 35c; *4 Horta '98, 12c; 4 Lagos 10c. Wholesale. 100 5c Doc. U. S. 1898, 20c; 10c same 35c. Postage 2c extra. Ed. Stephenson, Box 154, Orillia, Ont. s

An American make watch with one year guarantee, will exchange for best offer in British Colony stamps. Write me your offer. C. E. Cooley, 927 Elm St., Peekskill N. Y. s

All for 25c postpaid. 3 foreign stamps cat. 28c, 50 envelopes with your return card on, 20 var. U. S. postage and Depts., 1 entire Dept. envelope cat. 10c. Leon V. Cass, Mc Graw, N. Y.

We want to buy postage stamps of all kinds for cash. Send on approval at your lowest cash prices. Royal Stamp Co., St. Catharines, Ont. 37

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I want about 500 var. from approval sheets. Send yours along. Reference member D. P. A. W. Peters, Craigvale, Ont.

Souvenir Bicycle Buttons: 180 all different for best offer in stamps. Exchange of stamps and approval sheets desired. A. R. Butter, 8 and E. Sts., N. W., Washington, D. C.

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The Philatelic Advocate.

A MONTHLY FOR STAMP COLLECTORS.

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Philatelic Philosophy.

BY ZURA.

Please notice this: there is nothing so rare as an impossibility, yet the manufacturers of postage stamps come pretty near making the above probable.

Cheap, dirty and torn stamps stand about as much show in one's collection as a homely old maid in a crowded street-car.

Seebecks are a kind of pincushion for beginners and a whetstone for the world at large. Some stones will grind more tools than others.

Caution is a kind of slow poison, but never killed a man yet; use caution in buying your stamps and you'll never die without leaving a legacy for some one.

There is no one so big a fool but what a bigger one can be found, thus there is hope for all of us.

The nearest most of us can come to owning a 3 cent pink is to cheat ourselves with the belief that we have got it.

Two-thirds of the "Phil. Papers" in this country retire from the business in disgust when they fail to see their name on their rival's review list.

Many people have more pride in their collection than they have faith.

England has produced a good flock of stamps, but few errors. An error now and then would make the stamps of this country interesting. It would also give the dukes a little money and keep them from collecting the "American Heiress."

The stamps of the 1889 issue of Salvador would make a good advertisement for a burlesque company.

Uncle Sam never sells genuine postage stamps for less than their face value, reprinted periodicals are only gov. counterfeits. This is hard but a chilly reality.

Dealers in Boston are learning so much from juvenile Bostonians that they are losing the old time trade, the average man don't want to ask questions and it's too much work to carry Webster's latest unabridged dictionary around with him.

I love one woman not because she is weaker, and more lovely and pure than I am, but because she has a better collection than I have.

Just because a stamp is printed upside down on watermarked paper is no reason why we should reverse the thing and call the watermark inverted.

Any person employed in any branch of the U. S. postal service who shall willfully and unlawfully remove from any mail matter any postage stamp affixed thereto in payment of the postage, shall be punished by a fine of not more than $100.00 or by imprisonment for not more than six months.

The 25c Canada Gas Inspection stamp is much rarer than the 50c value yet it is catalogued less. Large quantities of the 50c value being used annually. At the present time the 25c value is obsolete.

Approval Sheets.

Their Use and Abuse.

BY EVERY PAGET.

Approval sheets, as we are all aware, are sheets of paper made out of onion skin, or good linen. They are ruled off to hold generally twenty-five, fifty, or one hundred stamps. Enough room is left in each space so ruled off for the stamp and a place below to mark the price thereof. At the top of the sheet we find the number of the sheet, the owner's name, the total value of the stamps thereon, the commission allowed, and generally a statement that all stamps are guaranteed genuine, also they must be returned within a certain number of days.

All dealers have approval sheets. Any collector, upon furnishing good references, or a cash deposit, or a stamp society number, is entitled to receive stamps on approval. He is generally allowed a commission or discount on all he sells or buys himself. The collector deducts the commission and sends remittance for the net amount to the dealer.

This method has its good points as well as its bad ones. It often happens, more frequently amongst youths, who are buying stamps. They may act honestly for some time, and then get a batch or several batches from as many different dealers, of valuable stamps, and being uninformed of the consequences, never return them. This causes the dealer a vast amount of trouble and expense, but quite often lands the offender in the reform school.

Again there is encountered the substitution fiend. He removes one stamp and places another in its stead. He takes off a perfect specimen and replaces it with a fair or poor specimen of the denomination. Dealers keep a diagram showing just what stamp was placed in each position, and often a description of it, and if there has been any substitution it is easily discernible. Where a dealer has a large and increasing approval sheet trade, it is hard to detect some substitutions, but the detection most always follows sooner or later, so complete is the system, and the guilty party is punished. Not, however, until the dealer has lost some money.

Again, the boy dealer does much to belittle the approval sheet business. He advertises and sends out approval sheets filled with stamps marked one, two, and three cents each, which stamps would be dear at 50 cents per thousand. It costs money for postage, though, to return those stamps.

Not so much as formerly, various dealers took to sending out stamps unsolicited. Thus when a party joined a society, or a dealer became possessed of an address from a reliable source, the addressee was flooded with approval sheets from various dealers. This would not have been so bad had they all enclosed a self addressed stamped envelope. But few, aye, a very few, indeed, did this. And yet these dealers wrote threatening letters to the parties who did not return the said stamps promptly. Why it would make a party bankrupt buying envelopes and stamps to return these various approval sheets with.

However, this approval sheet method is an excellent one for filling up collections if conducted in the proper manner. Stamps are arranged and classified by the various responsible dealers now, and a postal card and names of reliable references will bring

any particular kind of stamps desired, on approval.

Dealers should always investigate the references given. Many a dealer has lost a valuable lot of valuable stamps in taking it for granted that a particular reference is bona fide and responsible. The only correct way is to look them up before sending the stamps when the party is unknown to you.

When you write a dealer asking him to send stamps on approval, it does not necessarily follow that you intend to buy some stamps, nor are you compelled to do so. It only carries the inference that you will buy if you receive the stamps desired and the prices are right.

The approval sheet method, as we have seen, has its drawbacks as well as its advantages. Among the more advanced collectors, the want list is superseding the approval sheet. The collector sends the dealer his want list and states the price he will pay. The dealer, if he has the stamps, sends them on and if suitable to the collector he accepts and remits for them. Of course when the dealer cannot supply the entire list he sends as many as he can, and the collector sends the remainder of the list to some other dealer.

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New Zealand Notes.

BY INVERTED WATERMARK.

The Colonial printing of the new issue of New Zealand has been commenced in Wellington at the Government printing office. The issue is to be printed on "small star N. Z." paper and the old 11 perforating machine is to be used until worn out, when the finer perforations will be re-adopted. It is reported that several of the plates have been spoiled. I can hear nothing to make sure but I know that several post offices have received fresh stocks of the old 6d brown. I expect to send further information next month.

The 2d Insurance stamp is printed in two very distinct shades—brown lake and indian red. The first mentioned being perforated 11, and is rather scarce.

The Wanganui Philatelic Society has just closed a very satisfactory year. It has a membership of 48 paid up members; sales for the year amounting to £180, assets £26 and liabilities nil. This must be regarded as very satisfactory and shows that philately is flourishing in New Zealand.

The Samoa current 1d has beed surcharged "2½d" in red.

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Honduras.

BY APEMANTUS.

On the general issue, 1890, of the stamps of Honduras will be found a peculiar picture. Many of the younger collectors, and, no doubt, some of the older ones, have speculated as to what the picture represented. The following paragraph will give a knowledge of what the picture represents, and an idea of the early civilization of Honduras.

In Copan, in Honduras, is a pyramidal structure nearly one hundred and fifty feet in height, (very likely the one from which the engraving on these stamps was made.) It is built after the manner of the Egyptian temples; this principal one with several smaller ones, and all within a "sacred enclosure." The figure of a large baboon, somewhat resembling the cynocephalous of the Egyptians, was found; also sculptured obelisks a dozen feet in height. The Spanish conquistadors destroyed all the records

they could find, and the key to the hieroglyphics. So far no one has been able to translate them. In the Department of Comayagua alone there are more than three hundred of these interesting structures; and several thousand of them in Central America and Mexico. They were supposed to have been built for either religious or defensive purposes, possibly for both. In the chambers of some of these pyramids the remains of idols and altars, and the evidences of ancient worship are still found.

These Honduas stamps were of the manufacture of Mr. Seebeck, and are very pretty in design and coloring. It would be interesting to know just how many of these stamps were actually used for the prepayment of postage, and whether any value above the 10 cent was ever legitimately used. Neither Scott nor Stanley Gibbons catalogues them in used condition.

The Britanica gives the number of post offices in 1886, as 33. which carried 299,614 letters and newspapers during that year.

The Bogert & Durbin Co., had a contract with Mr. Seebeck, to furnish them 100,000 series of this issue and 200,000 extra of each of the 1 cent and 2 cent values. These stamps, of course, never went to Honduras at all. Mons. Mœns in an article in *Le Timbre Post*, a few years since, scored this firm pretty hard on their manner of putting these stamps on the market. He states that they are the agent of Mr. Seebeck.

We believe, however, that their method of handling the Honduras stamps is about on a par with the recent sale of the periodical stamps of the United States.

This paper one year with premium for 25c.

The Ever Widening Field.

BY WILLIAM C. KNIGHT.

Philatelia's Field widens with the march of time, and what seemed at one time a mere childhood pastime and amusement, has grown and developed into a strong and lasting pursuit, where the young and old may engage in with equal satisfaction.

There is something in human kind, a peculiar something that tells us that life is not exactly complete without we cherish a hobby of some sort; there is something in a hobby that appeals to the inner sense and there is a satisfaction and contentment in the words, "I too have a hobby." Has it not been said and truly, that every man has a hobby. In your life's experience do you not find this so by observation and otherwise.

Here in the far interior and wilderness of Cuba where every day seems like Nature's holiday, where only the air, perfumed, fanning the Palmettos, disturbs the tranquillity of this, Nature's garden, when one would suppose that Cuba's Sons had no other thought of the outside world, but of their own treasure isle, alone, I received a letter from a prominent Canadian collector the letter being franked with several of the Christmas stamps. The superintendent of the post office looked at me intently for a moment, then at the letter before he handed it to me, "Ah, Senor, Mucho Bueno, Si, Si," or "Ah Mr. (or Sir) it is very good (or fine), yes, yes." His American assistant told me that the supt. was an enthusiastic stamp collector and already had a large collection, and it did not take long to convince me that he wanted the Christmas stamps for his collection, I let him have them. Since, I have learnt that there a number of stamp col-

lectors in Pinar Del Rio, all among the wealthier classes,

And so it is Philately reaches out, and, like the proverbial acorn and oak, grows in strength every day. Philately is a beautiful science in the fullest sense of the word and the older Philatelists are fully aware of the fact, else why are they ardent devotees to the hobby year after year.

One often wonders why so much that seems worked over and rewritten stuff about philately appears in our philatelic journals. There can only be one object in all this; simply to convince you of the benefits of an interestiug pursuit and hobby, and that Philatelia welcomes you, and graciously.

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A Unique Collection.

Men have collected almost everything from postage stamps to art treasures and corner lots, but certainly one of the strangest and most interesting accumulations is an array of life insurance policy forms, gathered by Mr. George H. Roberts, managing director of the Insurance Agency Corporation of Ontario. In it are represented all the great companies in the world, and it is, as far as known, the only collection of its kind extant. It comprises some 150 policies, most of them nicely framed.

To the average layman the collection might not prove absorbingly interesting, but many leading insurance men have recognized in it a source of valuable information, and it was not with an eye simply to a hobby, but from business considerations that Mr. Roberts gathered the policy forms.

Surely this paper is worth 25c a year to you. Send your subscription at once.

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Editorial.

The 2c Xmas. Stamp. The ignorance displayed by certain Canadian philatelic editors and correspondents regarding the Xmas stamp is really amusing. One would judge by reading their notes that they thought the Imperial stamps were issued only for Dec. 25 th 1898. Such as not

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D. P. A. CONVENTION.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association was called to order at 2.45 p. m. Friday June 30th by President C. Bailey. The following Address of welcome was given by G. E. Davenport, President of the Philatelic Club of Toronto;

Bro. Philatelists

It is indeed a pleasure to me to welcome you, at this time, to Toronto. Our citizens are always glad to meet the members of any society and particularly of such a wide awake, up to date hustlers as the philatelists. There is no fact more patent than that this is an age of organizations and societies which wield a tremendous influence and power in the developement of the art and science of stamp collecting.

We have noted with great pleasure the rise and progress of the Dominion Philatelic Association, which we trust will grow and prosper everywhere in the fostering atmosphere of civilization, surrounded by adherents and admirers.

It is evident that no society could ever have begun under fairer auspices or with better promises for a successful future. I trust your deliberations here will be pleasant and profitable. Wishing you a pleasant sojourn in our city, the members of the Philatelic Club of Toronto again extend you a most cordial welcome.

Goe. E. Davenport Pres.

This was followed by the President's address.

Communications were read from R. S. Baker and W. F. Van Mulder regretting that they were unable to attend.

Several objections had been filed against the acceptance of W. A. Lydiatt as a member of the association. After considerable discussion a committee was appointed to investigate the charges and place them in the hands of the Trustees.

Moved by J. R. Seavey seconded by E. B. MacGillivray that it shall be the duties of the Trustees to investigate charges made by non members against members of the society.

The reports of officers showed that the association was in a very prosperous condition.

The Secretary Treasurer's report showed the following:

Paid up membership July 1st 1898..	123
Suspended or expelled.....	39
Deceased.....	1
Resignations.....	5
Reinstated during the year.....	3
Admitted during the year.....	173

RECAPITULATION.

Paid up members during the year....	299
Resignations, deaths, etc.,.....	45
Paid up membership July 1st 1899..	254

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance last report.....	$35.89.
Received for dues, etc.....	3.60.
	39.49.

Expenditures.

Paid Official Organ.....	2.50.
Postage	1.37.
Geo. E. Davenport, rent of hall....	5.00.
W. H. Rhodes, rebate of dues.....	.25.
President's postage.....	1.15.
Balance on hand	29.22.
	39.49.

The Exchange Supt. reported the following: Unionville, N. Y. June 21, '99

To the Officers and Members of the D. P. A.

Gentlemen, the following is my report as Exchange Supt. for the past year.

Number blank Exchange books sold	85
Number Filled books received	40
Value of same.....	$310.11
Sales to date.....	31.74
Receipts for books, commission, etc.	6.34
Expenses for books, postage, etc.,	5.94
Balance on hand.....	.40

It will be noticed that the sales were only about 10% of the value of stamps sent in.

I will say that fully half the books contained stamps for which there is but little demand or else were priced too high

Every book that contained desirable stamps at reasonable prices had from 20 to 35% sales.

When the fact that I had nothing to build on is taken into consideration. I think the Dep't was a success but with the co-operation of the members I hope to make it more so during the year before us.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. SHOVE, Exch. Supt.

A vote of thanks was unanimously passed to Messrs Starnaman Bros. for the good work they had done for the society.

On motion it was decided that a vote of 25 members or a two-thirds majority of those in attendance at any meeting of the society, shall be sufficient to change the constitution.

Article V. Sec. 1 of the constitution was changed by dropping the clause, "Two of which shall be residents of the same city."

It was suggested that a D. P. A. handbook be published. Said book to contain a a list of paid up members with their number and address, constitution, rules of the various Departments, and information concerning the society. Messrs Starnaman Bros. agreed to issue the book and were requested to give the Society a price for 500 copies, one to be furnished to each member free of charge.

The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Secretaries of the different societies and ask them to use their efforts to have their 1900 Conventions at Niagara.

Saturday evening the Toronto Philatelic Club gave a "Chilly Reception" (several gallons of ice cream) and an amusing programme prepared by the yellow kid.

It was near the hour of midnight when the most successful D.P.A. convention ever held was closed by singing God Save the Queen and three cheers for the D. P. A.

The election of officers was taken up on July 1st. The result is as follows:

(Figures show the votes received.)

President	Capt. E. F. Wurtele	110.	
	R. S. Baker	22.	
Vice Pres.	T. S. Futcher	53.	
	R. S. Baker	52.	
	M. Brown	21.	
U. S. do.	F. D. Sawyer	118.	
	J. Edward Sohn	7.	
Auc. Mgr.	R. S. Mason	85.	
	Alton Rowland	42.	
Trustees	C. Bailey	87.	Electd
	C. S. Applegath	72.	Electd
	Geo. W. Hicks	70.	Electd
	W. H. Thurston	41.	
	P. G. Masson	39.	
	E. B. Mac Gillivray	38.	
	Geo. Bradley	20.	
	W. B. Grant	12.	
Official Organ	ADVOCATE	123.	
	Alleghenny Philatelist	6.	
Convention Seat	St. Catharines	107.	
	Richmond	15.	

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Among those present we noticed
J. A. Williams, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Chas. F. Robinson, Modeltown, N. Y.
W. H. Thurston, Flesherton, Ont.
Hew R. Wood, Montreal, Que.
R. Newton Johns, Oshawa, Ont.
H. G. Thorpe, Bradford, Ont.
Geo. W. Starnaman, W. A. Starnaman, C. H. Moyer, Berlin.
J. R. Seavey, R. S. Mason, C. S. Applegath. H. B. Daw, Rev. S. Daw, O. C. Diaper, Jas. H. Slater, Hamilton.
Geo. E. Davenport, E. B. MacGillivray, C. Bailey, C. F. Mount, C. B. Morden, E. A. Corker, E. Marks, C. Wrigley, J. H. Lowe, F. A. Brereton, Wm. W. Young, H. R. Brereton, L. E. Strohm, G. F. Davidson, W. A. Lydiatt, Mr. McKean, Mr. Lucas, of Toronto.

27 LOVELY CARDS WITH NAME, 12c
STAR CARD WORKS. WOODSTOCK ONT.

the case however. These stamps were issued in commemoration of Imperial Penny postage and the date "Xmas 1898" is given so that the date of its inauguration will always be fresh in our memory. The Postmaster General informs us that he has no intention of discontinuing the use of this stamp.

We have received one of the lots advertised by The Emil N. Kiefer Co. It is certainly a bargain. Through an error in last month's issue the adv. read "$3.00 worth for 16c" instead of "$2.00 worth. Those who answered the adv. as in last issue will no doubt be satisfied even though there was a mistake as the $3.00 documentary stamp is worth the price asked for the entire lot. See the adv. on back cover.

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A Rare Find.

The publishers of this paper were fortunate enough to secure what is probably the rarest Canadian stamp in existence. It is a one cent stamped envelope of the current issue. The envelope is embossed but has no color. In order to be convinced of its genuineness we mailed it, addressed to ourselves, and it was returned properly cancelled. To the best of our knowledge it is the only one of its kind. The stamp will be sold if a reasonable offer is received.

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We are informed that the 2c red stamps are on sale at Chatham, Ont.

We have just added a lot of new machinery and printing material to our job printing department and are now better prepared to attend to your wants in this line. We make a specialty of mail orders and do the work promptly. The following is an instance of our quick work: One of our customers sent an order which left Toronto (65 miles from Berlin) at 1 p. m. Monday and the job was completed and reached Toronto at 11.45 a. m. on Tuesday; 22¾ hours after it was ordered Send for our samples and prices.

Mr. J. A, Williams, of Fort Wayne, Ind. spent a few hours in Berlin, on June 27th en route to the D. P. A. convention. He rode most of the way on his wheel. He is an enthusiast on stamps and also speaks encouragingly of stamp stores. He believes in judicious advertising and in keeping everlastingly at it.

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PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year....	.25
20 word adv, on Bargain Page of same	.20
Total $1.05	

All for 25c.

No. 2. 8c unused Canada Jubilee.
No. 3. One 5, 6 or 8c, Canada, (maple leaf) used or unused.
No. 4. 2000 PERFECT hinges.
No. 5. 50 Can. four maple leaf 3c used.
No. 6. 100 stamps ALL DIFFERENT.
No. 7. Half inch adv. in this paper.
No. 8. EVERGREEN STATE PHIL. one year.
No. 9. Perforation Guage and Mill. Scale.

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STARNAMAN BROS., Berlin, Ont.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS

282 H. R. Shuttleworth, London, Ont.
283 Chas. Ferchaud, New Orleans, La.
284 Ad. C. Zoeller, Boerne, Texas.
285 Chas. E. Palmer, Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope.
286 W. A. Jacobs, Denver, Col.
287 Rev. P. Demetrius, Lacey, Wash.
288 A. R. Bickerstoff, Toronto, Ont.
289 Chas. F. Goold, Windsor Mills, Que.
290 Objection filed.
291 R. L. Doak, Pearl, Ohio.
292 Walter Mc Rae, St. Marys, Ont.
293 R. C. Bach, Montreal, Que.
294 Geo. T. Whitman, Waterville, N. S.
295 Lewis Van Court, Phila., Pa.
296 W. D. Eldredge, Boston, Mass.
297 J. R. Croft, Beeton, Ont.

The above will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to Jan. 1st, 1900, amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Chas. Cabaniols, 511 Royal St., New Orleans, La., age 19, clerk. Refs. E. V, Campion and Geo. W. Starnaman.

Jas. P. Allen, Oak Park, Ill., 19, office boy, Starnaman Bros. D. F. Rolleri.

Miss. Kate Galbraith, Princeton, Ont., teacher. L. L. Thompson, F. J. Matthews.

F. A. Quimby, 194 Jefferson St., Albany, N. Y. 30, stenographer, Geo. W. Starnaman, H. J. Mc Keon.

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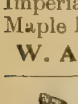

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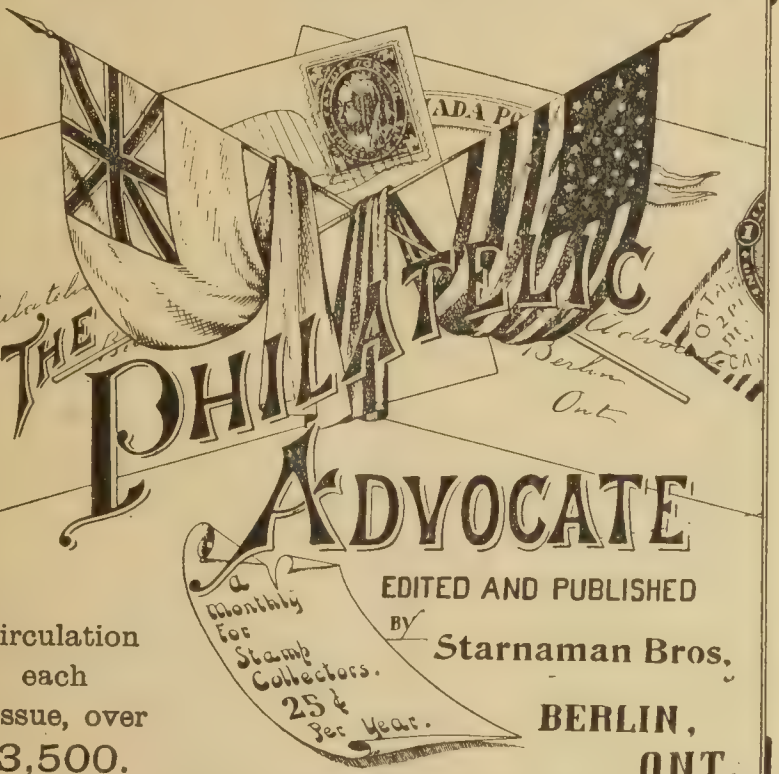

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Argentine Republic.

Its Rule and Rulers 1816-1890.

BY APEMANTUS.

The separation of Argentine Republic from the home government was declared in 1816, and from that time until San Martin led his victorious troops into the city of Lima, Peru, the great stronghold of the Spaniards, the Argentines had little hope of independence.

The war was continued until 1824 when the final victory was gained, though the Spanish government did not acknowledge their independence until 1842. With the exception of Rivadavia, San Martin seems to be the most popular of the Argentine patriots for illustrating their stamps. His picture appears on the 15c., 1867; 24c., 1877; 15c., 1888, 1c., 1891; 1c., 1892-99.

In 1825, Rivadavia was elected president, which office he filled until 1827, when he resigned to prevent civil war. His policy was to form a strong national government, while that of his opponents was for the independence of each state as far as possible. His successor of the opposing party was Vicente Lopez.

Rivadavia is portrayed on the 5-, 10-, and 15-cent 1864-67; the 5-cent, 1867; the surcharged varieties, 1877-84; 8-cent, 1877-87; 5-cent, 1891-99. He "stands in America second alone to Washington the representative statesman of a free people." He was instrumental in securing the independence of Uruguay, in 1828. His later days were spent in exile in Europe, and he died in Spain in 1845 at the age of 65 years.

Vicente Lopez who succeeded Rivadavia, was born in Buenos Ayres. He was president of the republic until succeeded by Dorrego, in 1827, and held many important offices until the time of his death, 1856

He was author of the Argentine national hymn. His portrait adorns the 2-cent, 1888-90.

Dorrego, who was of the same political faith as Lopez, was at the head of the government until 1828, when he was defeated by the opposing party under General Lavalle, and in trying to regain the city was captured and shot, without trial. Lavalle, who had fought under San Martin against Chili and Peru, and the Brazilians, was no doubt a strong partisan of Rivadavia, and bitterly opposed to the government of Dorrego, which must account for the seemingly inhumane treatment of him. Dorrego is portrayed on the 40-cent, 1890.

Lavalle was governor, 1828-29, when he was defeated by Roses. The government was practically in his hands until 1852, he was defeated by the forces of Urguiza. Under Urguiza a new constitution was declared, on very much more liberal lines than that of the former government. He was elected president for six years, but Buenos Ayres refused to join the confederation, until forced to do so in 1859. Urguiza retained the presidency until 1860, when he took command of the army until defeated by Mitre in 1861. With this battle the Federalist System came to an end; Urguiza retired to Entra Rios, where he was assasinated in 1871. Urguiza's picture may be found on the ½ cent 1888-89 ½ cent 1890.

The Specialist's Error and Its Correction.

BY W. HAMMOND.

In the good old days of fifteen years ago when a complete set of state departments could be bought for $7.00 and others in proportion, it was the universal practice among collectors to collect anything in the postage stamp line which came their way and as minor varieties were unknown a collection naturally embraced all nations and a collector would point with pride to gems from all parts of the globe.

The collectors of these early days studied and worked as hard as any of the present students of minor varieties but it was in a different way.

They didn't don microscopical glasses and burn the midnight oil to discover if there were really 157,698 hairs in Washington's queue or only 157,697 as the catalogue said, or if the exact color of their latest French acquisition was light blue, blue, dark blue, bluish ultramarine, ultramarine, etc., ad infinitum.

The world, however, moves fast. With the discovery of varieties (?) prices have naturally advanced, and they have advanced on the wings of the wind, mounting skyward, until now many are away out of the reach of mortal hands. Then with the rise of prices various countries went into the discovering business, and what did they discover? Simply that they positively must have a new issue every two or three years with a commemorative issue or two on the side to act as a spice to the Philatelic appetite.

These things went on until a collector could no longer hope to get a fair representative collection from all countries so the great majority became specialists. This is the natural outcome of minor varieties and unnecessary issues. Now what is the natural outcome of specializing? Why the collector studies the stamps of hi, favorite countries and discovers still other, and more minor varieties (?) and so the work goes on, discouraging all who have not the time to spend deciphering minor varieties.

There have appeared from time to time in the magazines, articles decrying this evil and its effect in driving the young collector from the ranks of Philately and causing his enlistment in the ranks of the numerous other armies of collectors, but I have yet to see the man who has suggested a feasible scheme for suppressing the tendency.

Many are agreed that the only way is to do away with minor varieties, but how As long as there are searchers? Now I don't advocate sending them to the Philippines or feeding them on "coffin beef" but should use a little gentle persuasion.

These searchers after varieties mistake the true object of stamp collecting. They study the stamp for slips of the engraver's scapel, slight differences in color, etc., but what does this all amount to? What have we learned? It nearly goes to prove the old adage "To err is human" and shows that the engraver and printer are only human, but to my mind the discoverer errs more than the engraver. Certainly no one profits in real knowledge. The dealer profits in a financial way. That is all.

Now to my mind the true object of collecting stamps is to get a better knowledge of countries, peoples, customs, manners, languages, monies, etc., and this cannot be done by seeking for unintentional vari-

eties. To be sure we cannot study the governments, etc., with the aid of stamps alone, but they can, and should, act as guides and reminders.

In studying forms of government, the revenue stamps are of as great value as the postal emissions, and by studying these along these lines the young collector would receive aid in the study of civics and kindred subjects as great as that given by the average teacher. As for the advanced and older collectors, if they would work along this line and ignore all unintentional varieties they would find much which would be new to them, and thus add a small amount of practical knowledge to their store-house of facts instead of storing it with chaff, which is something, yet is nothing.

Therefore, I say, collect all legitimate varieties (as there are less than 12,000 of these varieties it is not an impossibility) and also the revenues of all countries if possible and study them for knowledge of the country represented and not of the particular stamp. You may not, probably will not, have a complete collection as many varieties of necessity are nearly impossible to obtain, but you will have obtained knowledge, and "knowledge is wealth."

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Philatelic Items.

BY BERTRAM J. BISHOP.

The P. S. of A. convention will be held in Detroit, this year, and everyone should turn out in force and make this the banner meet. Detroit has fought for the place a long time and welldeserves the honor—and needs it to—for philatelists in the "City of the Straits" have become discouraged at Michigan's poor representation, and many of them have laid aside their collections and have nearly forgotten them. Let us hope that the convention will bring things to life again, and that old Michigan will once more be able to hold her head proudly in comparison with the other states.

Stamp Collectors in Cuba are a great deal like the proverbial hen's teeth—hard to find. I spent some time in Santiago after leaving the the Bahama Islands—but failed to find a friend.

In Nassau, however, I looked up N. P. Solomon, whose name used to be in the blue books, but he had abandoned his collection two years previous, nevertheless, the old fraternal feeling still existed, and he paid his compliments to me by inviting me to enjoy a fine afternoon drive with him. Many of the stores of Nassau have cheap stamps for sale but nothing to interest the philatelist as they are all continentals.

One thing which was very gratifying to a stranger was the cordiality with which I was received everywhere. Uncle Sam's uniform is a potent factor in making friends and acquaintances.

Bertram J. Bishop,
Late, 2nd Lieut., 35th Mich U.S. I.

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Read Royal Stamp Co's ad.

Notes.

BY INVERTED WATERMARK.

In order to comply with the Postal Union Regulations, the New Zealand Government intend altering the color of the ½p to green, 1p to red, and 2p to dark blue. This will make it necessary to alter the color of the 4p and 6p, the colors for these have not yet been selected. The alterations will take place as soon as the present stock of stamps is sold out. The old perforating machine, measuring 11, will be used until worn out.

The Gov. Life Ins. 2p is to be found in two distinct colors, red brown, and dark brown, the latter is the scarcer of the two.

Williams & Co., of Peru, appear to have given philatelists in all parts of the world a turn. The New Zealand Philatelic Society freely circulated their price lists of cheap sets, etc., of Peru, to all its members and I know of several who sent away for large orders. The prices seemed so low, and the firm bore such a big name, that no doubt as to their genuiness seemed to have existed. However, once bitten twice shy, and those who have fallen in on Williams & Co. will not be in such a hurry to buy up any catch line from foreign firms in the future.

More Philosophy.

BY ZURA.

Specimens and reprints are like twins; if you separate them you destroy both.

A damaged stamp is worth more than no stamp, as it utilizes space.

Some boys find more wisdom and knowledge in their stamps than they ever can in books.

How many of us pay dearly for experience and never advertise it? Bro. Bach would be in this class, if rival publishers had not advertised for him.

After all the moonshine whiskey we hear about from Tennessee, the best "Pub. Lev" can offer visitors is hard cider.

Counterfeits are a good cover for dullness or a blank space: there is nothing too ornamental for a fool.

Good stamps increase with age. Seebecks never do.

Chinese locals, made in New York, are just as pretty as those supposed to have been made in China and when it comes to surcharging them "Boston" printers can do a good job.

An o. g. stamps needs more watching than a red-hot enemy because he's a stick. er.

On the backs of the New Zealand stamps we see "Use Sunlight Soap" they use it there to wash the gum off.

Canada is the center of the philatelist's attention at present. This paper is the *only paper in Canada* which appears on time and contains the latest philatelic news of Canada.

"Vaster" Than Ever.

ORILLIA PACKET.

While gazing on a letter from a friend of mine,
My eyes fell on the stamp of '99;
I noted with much pleasure and surprise
How our young country had increased in size,
And stretches boldly east and west till she
Would e'en incarnadine the deep blue sea.
A British crown adorns the northern pole
And Uncle Sam's dominions are swallowed whole;
So if that postage stamp don't lie like sin,
"We hold a vaster empire than has been"

Postal Peculiarities.

BY GEO. W. HICKS.

Rat-tat. "Only the postman". And we open the letter and throw away the envelope without the glimpse of a thought of the wonderful machinery by which it has been carried—perhaps between three and four hundred miles—in ten hours or so at the cost of a few cents, a fact which certainly entitles the post office to a place pretty high up amongst the marvels of a modern civilization.

Let us carry our minds back to the time when the postman was not, and the letter-carrier, as a letter-carrier, was an unknown being; when letters and packets, unless they were sent by a special messenger, wandered about from carter to carter, and if they finally reached their destination at all, which was by no means to be looked upon as more than probable, took a most unconscionable long time about it.

Not till the period of the Wars of the Roses, in England, three hundred years ago, did our ancestors think the establishment of anything approaching to a post-office a necessity; but the conveyance of letters then began to be entrusted to the common carriers, whose heavy waggons splashed along leisurely through mud and mire; and if the reply to a letter, say to London, came back within a couple of months or so, the sender of the original missive thought himself an extremely lucky individual.

Wretched as was this method—or want of method—of letter-carrying, it was endured with only a moderate amount of grumbling; the richer classes sending their correspondence by private foot-runners, until in the sixteenth century foot and horse posts began to be regularly employed, and continued to be the only means used for a couple of hundred years or thereabouts.

The postal service of those times was a very deliberate affair, with an entire absence of that haste without hurry, and speed without confusion, which characterise the post-office at present. An idea of its rapidity may be gathered from the fact that in 1635 the reigning monarch, Charles I., of unhappy memory, anxious to expedite the carrying of mails between London and Edinburgh, the most important post in the kingdom, issued a proclamation commanding his "postmaster for foreign parts to settle a running post or two" such was the almost studiously ambiguous wording of the document, " to run night and day between Edinburgh and London; to go thither and to come back again in six days". Nowadays the mails are whirled between the two capitals in something like nine hours.

But as late as the year 1715 foot-runners were the only letter-carriers in Scotland. The runner went what he considered a fair day's journey, and then quietly put up for the night and started again in the morning that is, if it didn't happen to rain hard, because if it did he frequently felt quite justified in not starting until he could do so without danger of a wetting.

Little wonder that many of the packets entrusted to the care of the Post Office bore startling and uncomplimentary superscriptions, calculated, as the writers hoped with a feeling of half despondency, if such a seemingly contradiction of terms is allowable, to goad the lazy runners into a little extra exertion. Here is a specimen: "Be this letter delivered with haste! Ride, vil-

lain, ride for thy life,—for thy life". Such a direction upon an envelope would, in this nineteenth century, cast considerable doubt upon the sanity of the writer thereof. But the times are changed.

But people grumbled hugely, and Mr. Palmer, who eventually introduced great reforms into the service, complains a little less than a hundred years ago, that the post, instead of being the swiftest, is almost the slowest conveyance in the country, and that though from the great improvement in the roads, other carriers have proportionately mended their speed, yet the post is as slow as ever.

But the penny post came and put a stop to all this. Some who read this page will remember the scarlet coated postman of their early days, with his chimney-pot hat, adorned with a cockade. His uniform probably cost nearly three times as much as that of the busy Mercury of to-day, and he took things considerably more easily.

But these are days of express speed in this as in other matters, and the work of the Post Office never ceases, now, by night and day.

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The Stamps of Servia.

BY CHARLES FRANCIS ROBINSON.

Servia is a kingdom belonging to Balkan peninsula of Europe, lying between Bosnia on the west and Bulgaria and Roumania on the east, and between the Turkish province of Albania on the south and the Austrian Military Frontier on the north. From Bosnia it is separated by the Dwina, from Austrian and Roumanin territory by the Danube and the Save, and from Bulgaria partly by Timok. Some parts of the southern frontier are indicated by mountains but elsewhere there are no natural boundries. In shape Servia is an irregular trapezium, situated between 42° 30' and 45° N, Lat. and 19° and 22° 30' E. Long.

The area is 18,760 sq. miles, and the population was estimated at the end of 1884 to be 1,902, 419, thus giving a density of about 100 to the sq. mile. This low density, only about one-third of that of the U. S., is explained by the nature of the surface, the inland position, the defective communications with the exterior, and the absence of manufacturing industries. As a general rule the Servian highlands consist of detached groups of mountains and conical hills with gentle slopes rising from verdant valleys, and they are mostly covered to the top with forests, chiefly of oaks and beech, the higher summits in the south also with conifirs, But the plains, though numerous, are of no great extent, and occur chiefly along the banks of the rivers.

The stamps of Servia first appeared in 1866, consisting of 1, 2, 10, 20 and 40p. They exist in various varieties, until in 18 68 they appeared imperf. The next year a new issue came out, being perf. 9½, 11 and 12. consisting of the following denominations 1, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40 and 50p. In 1872 the 1p appeared imperf., with the addition of a 2p black, and, in 1879, some of the higher values appeared perf. with wider margins. A new and beautiful design appeared in 1881, of the denomination of 5, 10, 20, 25 and 50p. and a 1d. They were perf. 13. Another design somewhat similar, came to view in 1890; it consisting of the same denominations as the last issue.

In 1894 the design was again changed; this time the head being in an oval frame instead of a square one as before, It was on white wove paper and consisted of the usual denominations. The only outside issue indnlged in by Servia is a series of unpaid letter stamps; having issued no envelopes, wrappers etc. The stamps of Servia can reach the collection of them illionaire as well as the school-boy, as the catalogue value extends from 2c to $25.00.

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The attention of advertisers is called to the advertising rates and rules as given above. These rules will be strictly adhered to. Try an ad. and the results will surprise you.

Bis dat qui cito dat.

Our motto—Bis dat qui cito dat—has been bothering some of our readers not a little and some have requested an explanation of it. When we commenced the publication of the ADVOCATE philatelic journalism in Canada had reached such a point that it was a big surprise if a stamp paper issued two numbers without missing a month, so we started out with 8 pages and cover determined to issue our paper every month and always before the 15th of the month. We adopted the latin phrase which heads this article meaning, "He who gives promptly gives twice as much." We have kept up to our determination and with this issue present the thirty-sixth number without missing a month or being late.

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Several reviewers mention that the ADVOCATE'S last number was "thin." This statement is misleading and false. The regular issue of this paper is 12 pages and all over that number are to be considered as a gift from the publishers. This paper is not "thin" unless it contains less than 12 pages. We think 12 pages and cover for 25c a year is good value but during the past year (Aug. 1 to July 1) we have given 214 pages, an average of 18 pages a month Because we come down to a regular sized issue occasionally is no reason why reviewers should give the public the impression that we are not giving full value for money received.

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F. I. Weaver has changed his new paper *Energy*, from a semi-monthly to a monthly.

We do not want Happy Days Coupons of the present series.

W. C. Stone, reviewer of the *Era* objects to the statement made by "Apemantus" in our last issue that certain stamps never reached Honduras. 'Apemantus' reply to this criticism reached us too late for insertion. It will appear next month.

The members in attendance at the D. P. A. convention were a little surprised that Willard O. Wylie, who was in Toronto at the time of the convention, did not find at least a few minutes to devote to his philatelic friends.

The writer who sent the report of the D. P. A. convention to *Mckeel's Weekly* must have got his information from some of the absent members. Several errors occur, one of which has already caused the Secretary some trouble. The report says one ballot was rejected. This was not the case as only one vote on the ballot was not counted as the member had voted for the two candidates for the same office.

All the dealers in Canada and the U. S. report that the stamp trade for July has been exceptionally good. It appears that auction sales are the best way to sell stamps during the hot weather. What a vast difference this is from a few years ago. Even last year in July the trade was not one half as large as it is now, especially in Canada. We believe that one of the best reasons for this grand condition of trade is, that the number of collectors is gradually increasing.

With the papers too, the advertising patronage is far in excess of last year, although there have not been many dealers started during the year.

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President's Address.

To Officers and Members,
Dominion Pbilatelic Association.
Gentlemen,

I, take the present opportunity to tender you my sincere thanks for my election as President of the Dominion Philatelic Association for the current year, as conveyed to me in the following telegram.

Toronto. Ont. July 1, 1899.

Captain Ernest F. Wurtele,
Quebec,
"Congratulations 88 majority."
Dominion Philatelic Association.

I was pleased to note in the Proceedings of the meeting, the number in attendance, as also the addition to our ranks in the way of new members and proposals in connection therewith.

The proposed publication of a D. P. A. Hand-book is a move in a direction to prove beneficial to our association and I trust that its appearance may be looked for at an early date.

Members are requested to give the Exchange Department their consideration and to make an effort to increase the work performed during the past year. A well conducted exchange is essential and when participated in by a large number, will serve to interest the members to a greater extent in our association.

Hoping we may continue to increase the usefulness of the association to its members and that all will lend a hand with that object in view,

I remain, yours very truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE,
President.

Report of Exchange Supt.

Fellow Members:

I am trying to keep the department going in spite of the warm weather, and would be glad to receive filled books and requests to be placed on circuit.

We are getting some nice stamps at fair prices and sales are good. One member just purchased $13.65 worth from a circuit of six books.

Our new exchange books are ready (and they are dandies) and I would be glad to have the members send for as many as they can use at 5 cents each; 6 for 25c.

They hold 100 stamps each. I expect to attend the convention of the Empire State Philatelic Society in N. Y. and if the members will fill out boooks and send them to me I will take them along and endeavor to make some sales there. I will be pleased to receive the proxy of any members of the E. S. P. S. who cannot attend the meet which is to be held Aug 23, 24, 25.

Respectfully,
E. L. SHOVE. Ex. Supt.

Card of Thanks.

St. Catharines, Ont.

To the Members of the Dominion Philatel-Association.
Ladies and Gentlemen:—

On behalf of the St. Catharines members of our society I wish to thank those who have helped to bring the convention to our city in 1900 and can assure them of a big time. Trusting that the members will aid us in our efforts, and again thanking them,

I remain,
R. G. WIDDICOMBE.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

299. Chas. Cabaniols, New Orleans, La.
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305. A. H. Pettifar, Sydney, N. S. W.
306. A. R. Magill, Montreal, Que.

APPLICATIONS.

307. Herbert Pope, Southwest Point, Que. Age 35, Dist. Supt. Govt. Telegraph, Refs. G. W. Starnaman, W. A. Starnaman,
308. Leonard Cunningham, Court St. Antigonish, N. S. 18, Book-binder, P. G. Masson, Starnaman Bros.
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312. Geo. E. Mueller, Berlin, Ont. 17, printer, Starnaman Bros
313. G. W. Maynard, 2632 Champa St., Denver, Col., 17, P. O. Messenger R. L. Doak, Helen Maynard.
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315. Edward C. Dowse, Sherborn, Mass., 20, Stamp Dealer, C. Arthur Dowse, Starnaman Bros.
316. Emmet F. Horine, 521 Lee St., Americus, Ga. 14, student. W. A. Starnaman, G. W. Starnaman.

If no objection is received against any of the above they will be admitted August 15th and will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to January 1st, 1900 amounting to 18c.

RESIGNATION.

201. L. L. Thompson, Meaford, Ont.

(Change of address.)

Wm. A. Jacobs, 1433 Josephine St., Denver, Col.

J. C. Neeland, Box 244, Barnesville, Minn.

REINSTATED.

298. Louis Strohm, Toronto, Ont.
256. Edgar Ek, Chicago, Ill.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance last report	$29.22.
Received for dues, etc	5.86.
	35.08.

Expenditures.

Paid Official Organ	2.16.
Postage	.75.
Trustees Postage	.48.
Toronto Philatelic Club	1.00.
Stationery	.50.
Balance on hand	30.19.
	35.08.

GEO. W. STARNAMAN,
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Bids must be in by the 15th. Rules of this dept sent free on receipt of return postage 1c. Members I want your help.

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3.	" 2 *½c black o. g. "	33	.18
4.	" 20 2c Reg.	151	
5.	" 20 5c "	155	
6.	" 100 Imperials asstd		45
7.	" 100 3c Jubilees		35
8.	U. S. 10c Green	47	40
9.	Sierra Leone three sets of *1, *3, *6 pence and 1sh		
10.	100 Columbian 2c		
11.	Set Newfld *Envelopes & Wrapp. 101,-2; 151,-2,3;		.30
12.	10 Sets Porto Rico '98 issue 1, 2, 20c		2.00
13.	100 HongKong 3 var.		.50
14.	10 Canada 3 env. surch. *2c (entire)		.80
15.	10 " " Letter Card " "		.60
16.	100 " 2c Imperial asst		.45
17.	100 " *" " light blue		2.60
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9. Any article which can claim any relationship to our hobby may be offered for auction.

Send all bids to
R. S. MASON, Auction Mgr.
Hamilton, Can.

Vice Pres'. Greeting.

To the Members of the D. P. A.
Ladies and Gentlemen.

Please accept my best thanks for the honor you have conferred in electing me Vice President of our society.

I was surprised when I found myself nominated for the office, and much more so when I read the result of the voting.

We now have our President in the east, and Vice President in the West,—may philately increase, and our society gain members throughout this vast Dominion.

To further these objects, shall be pleased to do all I can.

With fraternal greetings,
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Yours faithfully,
THOS. S. FUTCHER,
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8c " " " "	.11
10c " " " "	.13
3 var " " " "	.10
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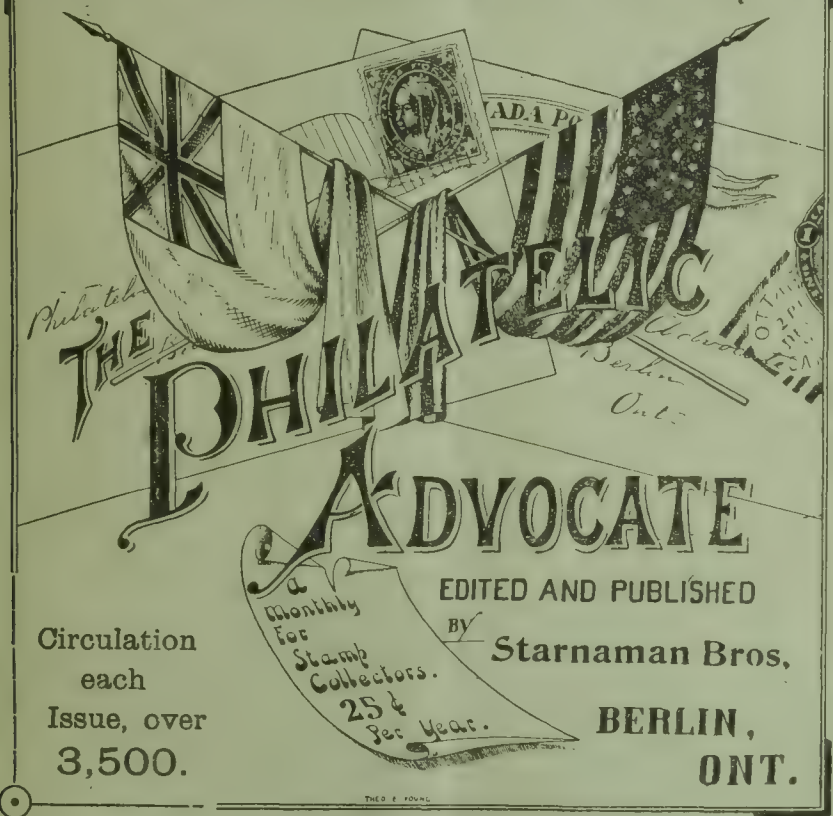

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Miles of Stamps.

From Happy Days.

Uncle Sam printed just a few postage stamps during the year 1898. The number of 2-cent stamps issued during the year was about 2,500,000,000. Such a number, obviously, is beyond the grasp of the human mind, but perhaps the matter may be made more clear by putting it otherwise.

An ordinary 2-cent stamp is exactly one inch long. From this fact, by a little calculation, it is easy to discover that the number of stamps of this denomination issued in 1898, placed end to end, would extend a distance considerably exceeding 39 000 miles. In other words, they would make a continuous strip of stamps, each one adorned with the head of the Father of His Country, stretching in a belt more than once and a half around the equator.

Of couse, though the 2-cent stamps are those principally used, there are others. Enough 1cent postage stamps have been issued during the year 1898 to stretch from New York City, by way of Europe & Asia, to Bombay, India, if similarly arranged in one strip. All other stamps, as to production and sales, are of minor importance, comparativly speaking, but it is interesting to know that almost exactly one mile of $1 stamps were manufactured for the demand of 1898. Of $5 stamps the production was equivalent to a little more than half a furlong, or about one-fifth of a mile.

Now, if all the postage stamps printed by the United States Government in 1898 were placed one on top of each other, as nearly as might be without putting them under pressure, how high do you suppose the pile of them would be? There is no use guessing; you would never get it nearly right, unless you went to work to calculate it for yourself. The 3,500,000,000 stamps of all denominations printed the current year—the statement, of course, is approximate—would tower to an elevation of 21 miles. This is more than thrice the height of the highest mountain in the world—Mount Everest, in the Himalayas. If the same number of stamps was piled up in the form of the ordinary sheets of 100 each, it follows that the stack would be over a fifth of a mile high.

During the year 1898 the number of special-delivery stamps sold was about 5, 250,000. It is only reasonable to suppose that the average journey of the special-delivery messenger is half a mile. Indeed, that is an absurd underestimate; but let it go at that. On this assumption the distance traveled for special delivery in 1898 was about 2,625,000 miles. That is a very considerable space to traverse, as may be realized when it is considered that a messenger boy, in order to accomplish that total distance, would have to go about 11, 000 times around the world, or 5 times to the moon and back.

It appears, from figures furnished by the Postoffice Department, that the average person in Massachusetts, including men, women and children, spends $2.30 on postage per annum. New York comes second, with an expenditure of $2.27, and D. C., third, with $2.16 Colorado is fourth, with $1.93, and Connecticut is fifth, with $1.80. The States ranking lowest in this regard are South Carolina, with 25 cents per capita; Mississippi, with 34 cents; Alabama, with 35 cents; Arkansas, with 37 cent, and North Carolina, with 41 cents.

A Talk about Stamps.

By North Simcoe.

A writer in the Stamp Exchange July No. tells us that the stamps of N. Brunswick which have been sold lately at 50c a set, are remainders which were recently sold to dealers.

He also states that Canadian Revenues are becoming more popular since the issuance of the new issue, which all reports say are very pretty, although as yet he had not seem them. He omitted to mention that all the unused Cuban and Porto Rican stamps now for sale are remainders which had been sold to dealers.

In the case of New Brunswick, whatever stamps were on hand when Confederation took place, were of course remainders and as there were not many collectors in those days quite a few stamps remained in some county post-offices—until hunted up lately by energetic stamp dealers and I only wish there had been a few of the British Columbia and Nova Scotian stamps left over as remainders, which would have been good enough for poor people.

I think Canadians will be surprised to hear that there is to be a new issue of Revenue stamps, perhaps they are the new Tobacco and Cigar stamps. They are indeed much handsomer than the old stamps, but the fellow who goes around cancelling them on boxes of Tobacco, nearly always manages to render them useless to collectors by punching the Queen's head full of holes instead of punching them only on the spot marked "Cancel here".

I have not seen any Newfoundland stamps offered at wholesale, advertised or mentioned in any Philatelic Paper except by the above mentioned writer in the Stamp Exchange.

"Odd Collections"

By Zura.

The average collector only secures one specimen of each stamp issued by a given country and little dreams of the freaks and oddities collected by the specialist. He in turn is ignorant of many unique and "Positively Unique" (this latter by permission of "Drew" of Boston) collections which one will find in this country and abroad.

One collector collects in pairs, used or unused, and then in blocks of 4, 6 or 8 as the case may be, still another collects stamps by the entire sheets. A certain collector in England has a collection of the 1d blacks 1840, on the entire covers, each one dated and used each day while the issue was in use.

Some American collectors procure entire envelopes by the box. A collection of this kind is arranged on shelves the date, issue and size of the envelope being on each succeeding box, of course only the rich can indulge in this wholesale accumulation.

Several, in fact thousands, endeavor to secure, one specimen of the first issue of every country on the globe, but very few of these are complete as many of the first stamps issued are among the rarest of the race.

The collection of entires, both envelopes and adhesives, is very fascinating, the only thing that vetoes this among many collections is the space required for arranging and classifying them.

An odd and interesting collection of one collector consists of several hundred ordinary 1c and 2c stamps each one bearing a legible cancellation and representing all the large cities in the "Union". This can be secured by any collector, at a slight cost and which when shown to visiting friend (non collectors) will cut more "ice," as the kid says, than a collection of rare stamps. Right here I would say; it don't pay to show rare stamps to folks unless they are educated enough to appreciate them. As stamps worth 2c are just as interesting to the average person as one worth $50.00.

The above are only a few of the many known oddities in the way of collections, there are probably hundreds of others just as interesting and unique.

Honduras.

Regarding Mr. Stone's Review in the "Era" and Other Points.

By Apemantus.

Mr Stone, of the *Era*, took exceptions to a statement I made in an article Honduras in the July number of this paper. The statement was "These stamps, of course, never went to Honduras at all." After making a thorough research I find I have no authority for that statement, and most graciously beg the pardon of all interested parties for having made the statement.

Mr. Stone says "I don't believe in running down the stamps unless you can back up your statements". Now I hold that I did not run down the stamps. That they could not be lower after my statement than before. The Bogert & Durbin Co. state in their own publication, No 267 page 37, "Our contract with Mr. Seebeck calls for 100,000 series and 200,000 extra of each of the 1c and 2c". How can it affect the status of these stamps by sending them to Honduras, they must be returned and could not be used in any postal capacity. I quote from Mr. Grem mel in No 44 of *The Post Office* "Would Mr Seebeck kindly let us know how many sets were sent to Honduras?" From which I would understand that Mr. Gremmel had some doubt of the stamps being shipped to Honduras. I think any fair minded collector will see that the simple act of shipping these stamps to Honduras and back, does not enhance their value nor establish their legitimacy.

The cry of philatelists seems to be against the "speculative" and "unnecessary issue." That every government has the legal and moral right to issue as many stamps as they like is beyond question. That collectors do not always know the necessary from the unnecessary issue I believe to be a fact. That stamps that A. wants, B. doesn't want. We all collect stamps for some purpose, that we should collect every stamp issued is far beyond my comprehension as it is beyond my pocket-book.

Let everyone collect such stamps as further the purpose for which he is making his collection. The multiplicity of stamps

must further this aim rather than deter it.

If the governments of the world were to issue a new series of stamps every year and collectors saw in them a chance to gain knowledge, pleasure or profit, let them be collected, otherwise leave them alone.

Canadian Items.

By Thomas.

An item recently appeared in the *Mail and Empire* reporting the receipt of a letter from Moscow, sixteen years after date of posting. Distance about one hundred miles.

This reminds me of Old Algate Pump in London, England. The pump a structure about six feet in height, on three stone steps, stood at a point where two streets met in V shape. For years the handle had been removed, and when improvements caused the removal of the pump it was found to have been used as a letter-box.

Lately I posted parcels of stamps to Russia and New Zealand, first making enquiries of the postmaster if same were sufficiently paid and everything all right. To my surprise they were received by dead letter post. Russian, marked insufficiently paid by 64c. New Zealand "No declaration." Fortunately my return card was on them or in due time those parties would have been put down as not over particular in making exchanges.

Moral: Use Starnaman Bros'. printed envelopes.

I have noticed several reports that the P. O. department at Ottawa have a supply of two-cent purple stamped envelopes. This may be the case, but some time ago, $22.50 sent for one thousand was returned with remarks, "issue exhausted."

We often hear the remark, what foolishness to collect stamps but who are the most foolish, those who do or do not?

Stamp collecting was first introduced by a Belgium school-master in the early '40's who saw the benefits his scholars would derive.

Although the number of collectors has increased one thousand fold, there is still money to be made in collecting, at least that has been my experience, since again taking up the hobby.

Those readers of the Philatelic Advocate who noticed an article in a Toronto paper of July, representing the prices that an English firm would pay for certain values of Jubilee and Maple Leaf issues and anticipating sending any away, would do well to write first, or state the lowest cash price they will take. The writer knows of returns made on several varieties considerable less than prices referred to and on these varieties less than same would have brought here. Of course no blame can be attached to the firm, as the Stamp Market fluctuates the same as other articles of commerce, and no doubt the high prices sent considerable numbers of stamps across the waters

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But if they ever do so
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H. P. Woodstock

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Dear Sirs:-
To date I have received over 82 postals for my booklet and all mention the Advocate.
G. A. Hunt.

There were 9 million 3c numeral surcharged 2c and only about 2¼ million maple leaf surcharged. Allowing for the stamps wasted by non-collectors there would be only about 1 million maple leaf surcharges for collectors so they will be a good thing to collect.

The Manitoba Philatelist will not appear owing to the ill health of the publisher.

The Jubilee Philatelist is a new monthly announced from Smith's Falls. Ont.

The Ontario Stamp Co., Trenton, Ont., is the name of a new firm of which Wm. Snyder is manager.

THE ADVOCATE is now the only monthly stamp paper in Canada. There are others called monthlies but as they appear about every other month they cannot be monthly.

Letters may be sent to Cape Colony now for two cents. When the rest of South Africa falls into line, the pressure on New Realand and Australia will be very great and we may expect to have Imperial penny postage with these countries shortly.

The second Philatelic Exhibition will be held in Brooklyn, March, 1900.

Mr. W. H. Thurston has a Canada 3cent laid, dated 1868. Scott chronicles it in the 58th as 1870.

Recent receipts from U. S. are one-cent wrapper watermarked '94, one-cent wrapper unwatermarked said to have been printed by mistake, scarce one-cent envelope w. m. '94, 4c and 5c envelope poor and new dies.

ADDRESSES WANTED—We want the addresses of Canadian collectors and will allow a 20 word ad. on Bargain Page for every 15 names not members of D. P. A. or "Mail and Empire" stamp club.

Canadian collectors can save money by ordering their 59th edition Scott's catalog from us. We will furnish them duty and postage free for 58c. U. S. collectors can place their orders with us and they will be filled duty free.

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At the D. P. A. Convention Mr. C. S. Applegath stated that he had to write reports of the meet for four or five papers and each report had to be different. He succeeded but it was at the sacrifice of the truth in some cases. One paragraph in particular has caused much annoyance. It states in substance that, On account of the St. Catharines members not having taken interest enough to have their city represented at the meet that it was unanimously agreed to try and hold the next convention at Niagara Falls. This is false. The motion was to hold the convention at Niagara Falls if the other societies could be induced to hold their meets at the same place and time. No mention was made about the St. Catharines members *in the motion.* Mr. Applegath's reports would imply that it was included in the motion that St. Cath arines should lose the meet because it had no represtative there. We think the St. Catherines members should demand an apology from Mr. Applegath.

We acknowledge receipt of a price list of Australasian stamps priced in $ and c for American trade from Smyth & Nicolle 14 Hunter St. Sydney, N. S. W.

In our July issue we announced a find of an albino 1c Canadian envelope and stated that we were open to receive offers for it. The editor of the *Virginia Philatelist* has made the munificent offer of 10c. We'll forgive you this time, old man, but don't do it again, dad.

F. G. Hendry wishes us to state that he has changed his address to Ingersoll Ont.

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No. 4. 2000 PERFECT hinges.
No. 5. 50 Can. four maple leaf 3c used.
No. 6. 100 stamps ALL DIFFERENT.
No. 7. Half inch adv. in this paper.
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STARNAMAN BROS., Berlin, Ont.

Another Discovery.

Editor ADVOCATE:

I recently came across a copy of an Argentine Republic stamp 4c on 5c vermillion, Scott's no 56 A, having the surcharge "Cuatro Centavos 1684" instead of "Cuatro Centavos 1884." Have any of our brother or sister philatelists a similar stamp or is this a new discovery? Scott mentions two varieties of this surch. "a" and "b" but says nothing about this one.

Yours truly
J. Arthur Wainwright,
D. P. A. Att'y.

New Cancellation.

Philadelphia's coming exposition is being advertised by means of postage stamp cancellation.

Postmaster General Smith has issued an order to the effect that hereafter all letters leaving the Philadelphia post office shall be cancelled with stamps bearing the imprint of the big industrial show. The use of the new cancelling machinery went into effect August 24th, when five of the cancelling machines in the central office began marking all letters in this manner. The fourteen remaining machines have since been supplied and now every letter that is delivered in Philadelphia or sent from there is stamped with the official imprint of the National Export Exposition.

The imprint is in an oval to the right of the regular postmark and reads as follows:

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Exch. Supt's Report.

Fellow members:

I have now on hand a nice lot of filled books and would like to send out some circuits soon. Members wishing to receive books should notify me at once.

If you are buying stamps and want to see some nice stuff at reasonable prices just let me put you on circuit.

You can stop at any time by simply dropping me a postal.

I wish the members sending in books would remember to mark stamps at net prices and not catalogue as some have done

Blank books holding 100 stamps are 5c each or 6 for 25c.

Fraternally
E. L. SHOVE
Exch. Sup't.

Count. Detectors Report

Fellow Members:

Since last report have only received one stamp for examination. We have plenty of space in counterfeit album, for more counterfeits, send yours along and help build up our collection.

I wish to thank the following members for donations:— Messrs. C. Bailey & J. A

Wainwright and Mr. W. D. Boyd.

Thanking you for my re-election, I remain Yours faithfully

FRED J. GARRATY
Counterfeit Detector.

To Members of the D. P. A.

I desire on behalf of Mrs. Marris and myself to express to you our most sincere thanks for the beautiful Floral Tribute to our dearly beloved son as a token of your sympathy for us in our sad berevement.

It is comfoting to know that we have your symathy and we fully appreciate your kindness and thank you

Sincerely yours
Henry Marris,
200 James St N. Hamilton, Ont

Auct. Mgr's Report.

Dear members:

Though a month late I wish to thank the members who were not at the convention for appointing me manager of this department you will see that I have obtained a goodly number of lots in this months sales, but I would be pleased if members would send lots without my soliciting them. All members are invited to send lots and everyone is at liberty to bid.

13th Auction Sale.

Bids must be in by the 15th. Rules of this dept sent free on receipt of return postage 1c. Members I want your help.

Lot No.	*unused	Scott no.	res.
1.	Canada 15c red Lilac	43	.60
2.	" 25 2c reg.	151	
3.	" 25 5c "	155	.15
4.	" 30 1c Jub.		
5.	" 15 2c "		
6.	" 30 3c "		
7.	" 100 3c "		.35
8.	" 100 *½c 4 leaf		.80
9.	" 20 ½c "		
10.	" 50 1c "		
11.	" 100 1c "		
12.	" 25 2c "		
13.	" 25 3c "		
14.	" 100 3c "		
15.	" 50 ½c num.		
16.	" 100 1c "		
17.	" 500 1c "		
18.	Can. 100 2c num.		
19.	" 100 3c "		
20.	" 15 " 3c surch. 2c		
21.	" 100 Imps. Ass.		
22.	" 4 leaf *½c to *10c		.40
23.	" 4 " ½, 5, 6, 8 and 10		.10
24.	" *3c Jub. block of 4		
25.	" 25 ass. Xmas		
26.	" 20 *½c 1882 black		
27.	" 15 surch. 2c on 3c num.		
28.	" 100 ass. var 3rd iss. Bill Cat. $5		
29.	" 10 *3c envelope surch. 2c		.60
30.	" 10 *3c letter card " 2c		.60
31.	" 25 2c Xmas shade		
32.	" 5 1868 *15c red lilac		2.50
33.	Miss. mixture Newfld nos 55, 57, 87, 88 Costa Rica " 4 Ceylon " 91, 133, 134, 154 Canada *5c Jubilee		.19
34.	*Cuba Ass. cat. 2.25		.55
35.	U. S. 30 1895 4c Due		
36.	New Hebrides *1 and *2c		.15
37.	500 N S. W. 1c and 2c Jubilee		.75
38.	3700 U. S. 2c Columbia (soaked)		1.25
39.	Post Cards Victoria nos 718, 718, 808 West. Australia 402	cat .57	.25

Successful bidders will be notified; when they are expected to remit.

R. S. MASON, Auct. Mgr Hamilton, Ont.

Secretary's Report.

Applications.

Jonathan Osborne, Blairhampton, Ont. Age 11, student refs. R. Baker, M. Brown

Morris C. Runyan, 181 Passaic St., Trenton, N. J., 17, student, Starnaman Bros, E. B. Sterling.

James Wurtele, Box 563 Montreal, Que. 18, Secy. Int. Stamp Co., A. R. Magill, Starnaman Bros.

B. H. Schewe, 440 Graham St., Pittburg, Pa. 20 clerk B. H. Voskamp & Co. Starnaman Bros.

Julius Knauff, Berlin, Ont. 38 Manufacturer, R. Von Pirch, Starnaman Bros.

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Herman Jaeger, Berlin, Ont. 28 Tonsorial Artist, R. von Pirch, G. W. Starnaman

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J. Chester Rice, Losoya, Bexar Co , Tex. 15, stamp dealer, Starnaman Bros, P. Rice.

If no objection is received against any of the above they will be admitted Sept. 15th and will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to Jan. 1st, 1900 amounting to 15c; or 40c to Jan. 1st. 1901.

NEW MEMBERS.

307. Herbert Pope, S. W. Point Que.
308. Leonard Cunningham, Antigonish N. S.
309. G. B. Wood, Montreal, Can.
310. Jacob Weigel, New Brunswick, L. J.
311. Chester L. Davis, Wingham, Ont.
312. Geo. E. Mueller, Berlin, Ont.
313. G. W. Maynard, Denver Col.
314. Arthur R. Butler, Wash., D. C.
315. Edward C. Dowse, Sherborn, Mass.
316. Emmet F. Horine, Americus, Ga.

REINSTATED.

317. H. H. Coombs, Simcoe, Ont.

DEATH.

53. E. A. Marris, Hamilton, Ont.

I expected that Mr. Applegath being Trustee and residing in Hamilton, would send full particulars of the death of Bro. Marris. As he has not done so, I cannot give any further information.

Mr. E. B. MacGillivray, ex-Auction Manager, has sent me the commission realized on the auction sales. It amounted to $2.50.

By order of the President a wreath was purchased for Mr. E. A. Marris, on account of Mr. Marris being a former officer in the society.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

G. B. Wood, 51 Belmont Park, Montreal, Que.

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214. J. C. Lyons, Waterville, N. S.
224. Georgia Le Maire, Elkhart, Ind.
222. D. H. Cooke, Chicago, Ill.
230. M. H. Anderson, Toronto, Ont.
242. Wm. C. Whitney, Burlington, Ont.
262. D. Haverstick, Philadelphia, Pa.
270. C. Stein, Phila., Pa.
280. F. Haller, Chicago, Ill.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Balance last report	$30.19.
Received for dues, etc	4.54.
Rec'd from E. B. Mac Gillivray	2.50.
	37.23.

Expenditures.

Paid Official Organ	2.28.
Postage	.94.
Wreath for E. A. Marris	5.00.
Balance on hand	29.01.
	37.23.

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1.	200	2c Numeral
2.	300	2c "
3.	500	2c "
4.	100	1c "
5.	100	3c "
6.	200	3c "
7.	50	2c 4 maple leaves
8.	20	5c "
9.	50	1c "
10,	10	*2c on 3c letter card '98
11.	10	*2c on 3c envelope '98
12.	10	2c on 3c numeral
13.	50	*½ Newfoundland '98.
14.	10	*sets '96, 5 var cat 34c ea
15.		*Odd Lot Cuban stamps cat. $4.00 No stamp cat under 3c.
16.	50	stamp papers assorted.

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Canada.

3. 4 surcharged 2c on 3c figures on cover.
4. 20 surcharged 2c on 3c maple leaf.
5. 10 Imperial map stamps on cover
6. 1—1c envelope, 1—2c envelope entires
7. 50 maple leaf 3c.
8. 4 different shades Imperial map stamp
9. Block of four *2c on 3c maple leaf.
10. 100—3c Jubilees.
11. 1000—3c issue before Jubilee.
12. 200—1c " " "
13. 35 red postcards, unused.
14. 25 assorted Canadian postcards.
15. 25 Jubilee postcards, used.
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1.	½ pence 1857 damaged cat. $4.	1
2.	6 " violet black 1857 scarce	1
3.	3 " red laid 1851	1
4.	3 " " wove	1
5.	3 " " ribbed 1858 cat $2.	1
6.	3 " " perf 12 1858	1
7.	½c, 3c, 12½c 1868	3
8.	*12½c blue no gum 1868	1
9.	12½c " 1868 Wmkd $3.00	1
10.	12½c " 1868 Wmkd $3.00	1
11.	3c red laid cat $5.00	1
12.	3 " strip of 3	1
13.	3 " Wmkd	3
14.	12½ blue 1868	1
15.	5 sets 1c and 5c 1859	10
16.	1c pink	10
17.	3 red 1868	15
18.	3 " " fair	38
19.	2c on 3 perf.	25
20.	12½ blue very scarce	50
21.	10c lilac 1859	01
22.	*½ Jubilee	block of 6
23.	20c and 50c 1892	2
24.	2c Jubilee	15
25.	2, 20c and 1, 50c 1892	3
26.	ass. rev. cat. $17.31 very fine lot resreve $1.50	180
27.	1c yellow 1882-92	136
28.	5c green 1882-92	16
29.	2c " " "	45
30.	2c on 3c perf.	50
31.	5c blue 2 figures	25
32.	3c error brown 1872 on cover	1
33.	1 1c, 2 5c. '59, 2 3c 1868 on cover	5
34.	8c state 1892 on cover	24
35.	3 sets 2c and 5c Jubilee	6
36.	½c 4 maple leaves	10
37.	1c " " "	50
38.	2c " " "	25
39.	3c " " "	100
40.	5c " " "	25
41.	3 6c and 2 10c 4 maple leaves	5
42.	2c Xmas shades	25
43.	2c " "	50
44.	2c 4 maple leaves	50
45.	2c " " "	70
46.	I X L hinges	3.000
47	6c, 8c, 10c 4 maple leaves	3
48	*6 brown " " " o. g block	4
49	*6 o. g. " " " inc. fine pr	3
50	½c black 2 figures	46
51	1c " "	100
52	" " "	182
53	2c " "	100
54	" " "	150
55	3c " "	500
56	" " "	80
57	5c " "	5
58	3c " "	300
59	2c Xmas shades	100
60	2c purple, 2 figures	500
61	1" green " "	200
62	1" " " "	100
63	8" orange " "	4
64	8" " " "	25
65	6" brown " "	9
66	6" " " "	12
67	2" Purple " "	1,000
68	3" red " "	300
69	5" blue " "	25
70	2" on 3c stamp perforated	100

Sale continued on next two pages.

71 10c 2 figures 2 fine pairs 6
72 *½" o. g. Jubilees 10
73 3" red 2 figures 300
74 1" Jubilee 20
75 3" " red 25
76 19" 4 maple leaves 13
77 6" " " " 17
78 *2" surch. on 3c env. entire face value is $2.25 retail @ 10c '98 } 100
79 *2c surch on 3c env. ent. '95 issue scarce retail 35c @ to 50 many var } 25
80 *2c on 3c env. ent. same as above 4
81 *2" green beaver on '95 entire let. 2
82. *3" env. '98 ent. sell from 15 to 25c each } 23
83. *2c on 3c env. ent. 10 each '98 23
84. *2c postal ent. '77 retail @ 6c each 15
85. *1, *2 *3 letter cards '95 scarce 3
86. *2 on 3c letter '95 issue are scarce retail from 25 to 40c each 25
87 *3 letter cards 1 entire 4 leaves '98 scarce } 7
89 2c env. '95 ent. with 1c m. l. on 14
88 *2c on 3c env. ent. '98 mostly var. the retail @ 10c each } 14
90. 3c env. red 1895 ent. 5
91. 1" " '95 cut square 16
92. 13 6c, 26 8c '82-'92 39
93. 3c red '68 fair lot 100
94. 3" " laid '68 cat $5 1
95. 3" " " " " $10 slight dam. 2

Newfoundland

96. 3c blue rouletted '76 1
97. 1" brown '80 12
98. 3" blue '98 15
99. 5" " light and dark '80-87 22
100. 1" green '87 12
101. 2" orange " 12
102. 3" brown " 16
103. 3" blue Jubilee 15
104. 3" & 5c " 2
105. 1" carmine scarce 6
106. *1c on 3c o. g. tip 1 1
107. *1" " 3" " " " 11 1
108. 2" and 5c N. S. 2
109. 2 "mauve " " 2
110. 2 " " " " cat. $4.00 4
111. 5 " blue " " 2
112. 5 " " " " 3
113. 1 " to 17c N. B. *prs. 12
114. ½ " red '87 " Foundland 4

United States

115. 1 c blue '51 1
116. 1 " " " fine strip 2
117. 10c green 51 fair 1
118. 1c blue '55 1
120. 1c sur. I. R. 6
119. 30" orange '61 1
121. 6 " and 12c violet '70-73 2
122. " " brown '90 9
123. 8 3c, 2 8c '90 10
124. 1c blue '71 to '82 25
125. 3" " " 65
126. 2c black '62 4
127 10c green '61 4
128. 2cbrown '70 grilled 1
129. 2c '71-73 5
130. var. cat. $1.65 16
131. 2c '90 106
132. 2 3c, 3 4c, 6 5c, 6 10c '93 17
133. 1c blue '93 150
134. 30c '79, 50c '94-5 issue 2
135. var. fine cat 98c 8
136. 4, 10, 15 and 30c '93 col. 4
137. 10c light blue confederate states Scott's no. 90 poor copy } 1
138. $1.50 Cal. state rev. cor. missing 1
139. '84 W. U. Tel. stamp 1
140. *2c '70 cat $2. 1
141. 10" '75 Scott's no. 150 cat. $20 rare 1
142. 1" '87 unperforated " 1
143. 2" '90 " " 1
144. 1, 4, 5, and 8c omaha 4
145. 3c purple '94-96 10
146. 8 and 10c Omaha 2
147. 33 1c, 42 2c omaha 75
148. 2c doc. rev. '98 67
149. 2" sur. I. R. 30
150. U. S. ass cat 1, 2, 3, and 5c lot of 70

Foreign Stamps·

151 Argentine ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 12, 16 '92 8
152. Barbados 6p no. 7 cat $3. 1
153. " 4p " 57 " $5. 1
154. New Zealand ½p pink no. 352 cat. 25 1
155. Natal 1sh no. 50 cat 25c 1
156. Spain 200 m pale brown no 201 rare 1
157. Angara 65R '96 fine copy 1
158. German 1gr rose 68 no 4 imperf 1
159. Mexico 2c '87 no 323 cat 50c 1
160. S. Australia 1sh no 221 scarce 1
161. " " 2 " sur o. s. fair cat 1.25 1
162. " " ½ p " " " no 256" 1.50 1
163 *Honduras 2c '78 1c '91, 1 2 5 25 and 30c unused } 7
164. N. S. Wales 1, 2, 2½d Jubilee 3
165.* Porto Rico 1m 2m 3m 5m '98 4
166. var. including Hawaiin Is 18
167. var. few U. S. cat $2.50 47

168. var cat $5.00 36
169. var few damaged fair lot cat 18.63 38

CANADA.

170, 3 pence laid, corner missing 1
171. 3 pence wove 2
172. 1c pink Ribbed scarce good cat 7.50 1
173. ½c black 1868 3
174. 1c pink 1859 5
175. 2c pink 1859 1
176. 1c wmkd 1868 poor copy cat $2 1
177. 2c wmkd 1868 1
178. 3c wmkd 1868 1
179. 3c laid 1868 cat 5.00 1
180. 5c beaver 1859 2
181. 1—1c, 1—6c, 4—3 1868 6
182. 12½c blue 1868 2
183. 2—20c, 1—50c 1892 3
184. 10c special delivery used 1
185. 2—6c, 1—8c 4 maple leaf 3
186. 6c and 10c 2 figures 2
187. 2c and 12½c 1868 2
188. 3c laid 1868 fair cat $5.00 1
189. 2-5c Jub. 2-2c reg. 1c wrap N B *5 6
190. 4—2c, 3—5c Reg, 7
191 4—1c orange, 10—3c brown scarce 14
192. 2—1c '59, 4—3c 1868 6

Canadian Revenues.

193. 1st iss Bills 1-3-4-6-7-8-9-10-20 40-50-$2.00 unused cat $4.64 12
194. 2nd iss. 1-2-3-4-5 6-8-9-10-20 30-30 scarlet, 50c cat $4.72 13
195. 3rd issue 1c to $2. 18 var cat 1.78 18
196. $1 supreme court value 2.00 1
197. var gas 25c, 50c, $2 value 56c 3
198. weights and meas red no val cat 2.50 1
199. weights and meas 5c red no. val 15c 1
200. " " " 2-15-30-50-1.50 $2 value 1.08 6
201. var B. C. law 10c 50c $1 value 2.90 3
202. var N. B. law 10-20-50-2.00 val 4.85 4
203. N. S. Bills 1-2-4-5-6-8-9c value 1.90 7
204. 25c green law N. S. value 1.90 1
205. 10c 50c 80c sur C. F. in blue 3
206. 20-30-50c sur L. S. value 35c 3
207. 10-20-30-40-50-1.00 Ont Law perf. 6
208. 10c and 30c damaged sur L. C. 2
209. 40, 90, 1.00 Que Law '70 val 1.50 3
210. 60, 70, 80, 90c Que law '93 val 1.90 4
211. 5, 15, 30c Que Reg green val 95c 3
212. C.P.R. Telegraph stamp '87 val $2 1
213. " " " '89 " $2 1
214. " " " '90 " $2 2
215, " " " '91 " $2 2
216. " " " '92 " $2 1
217. " " " '96 " 50c 1
218. " " " '97 " 40c 1
219. G.N.W " " '91 " $2 1
220. " " " '92 " $2 1
221. " " " '95 " $1 1
222. " " " '96 " $1 1
223. " " " '97 " 40c 1
224. 2c purple error env entire unused 1
225 6c 1872 to 92 old shades too . 48
226. 10c 1872 to 92 shades 13
227. *5c 1859, 3c wmkd '68, 2 cat $1.90 damaged 2

Newfoundland.

228. 3c rouletted good 1
229. pair 1c brown 1880 2
230. 1c brown 1880 2
231. 2—½c 1c '87, 5c 1880 4
232. 2—3c and 5c Jubilee 3
233. 2c orange, 1 unused 4
234. ½c, 2—3c 1898 3
235. ½c '98 2 unused 6
236. 2—2c orng, 1 2c carm. 2 3c '98-'99 5
237. 3c Jubilee 4
238. 1c green 1898 8
239. 3 pence dark blue N. S. 1
240. 10c verm. catd $2 " " 1
241. 2c mauve and 5c " " blue 2
242. 2c mauve and 5c " " " fair 2
243. *2c, 2c used & 5c " " " 3
244. U. S 2c '83 240
245. " "1c due '95 32
246. " "2c " " 50
247. " "2c " " 65
248. P. E. Islands 6p dam. cat $2.50 1
249. " " " 3s rose " 1.50 1
250. Hanover 3p rose gray no 4 $5. 1

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*2c Imperial map lavender .08
*2c " " light blue .05
*2c " " dark blue .04
*2c " " 3 shades .13
2c " " 4 shades .10
*2c black on 3c numeral or maple leaf .05
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*½-10c numerals .40
*½c Jubilee .25
*8c " .15
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do used .20
50c Jubilee used .30
*½c to 5c maple leaf .18
*½c black 1882 .03
*Special Delivery .13
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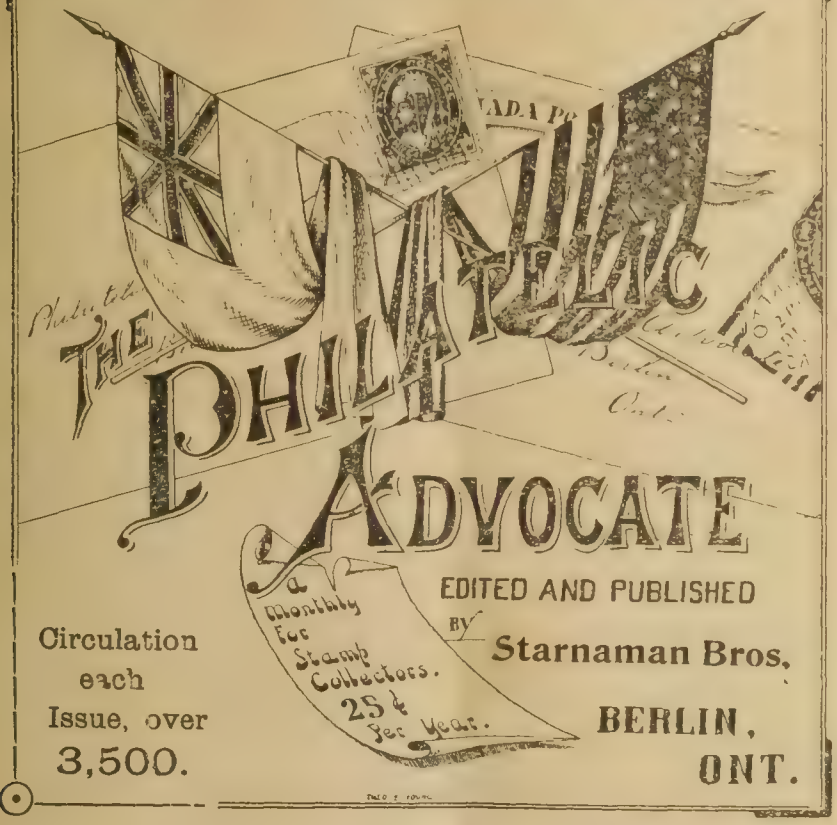

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A MONTHLY FOR STAMP COLLECTORS.

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Be Steadfast.

BY S. A. D. COX.

Whatever else you may do, if you are a stamp collector, be steadfast; be persistent in the collecting of stamps, Don't go wild over the pastime for awhile, pester the life out of your friends and bore them to death, only to become later lukewarm and finally drop collecting altogether. Instead, go slow; make up your mind to become a permanent addition to the ranks. By doing this, you will have plenty of time, and will not have to rush around like a wild man, seeking for stamps. You will find a good stamp here, a nice specimen there, will add them to your collection, and will keep this up steadily and continuously for years and years. What will be the result? Ultimately you will find yourself possessed of a fine collection, a collection worth perhaps several thousand dollars —certainly several hundred dollars.

The person who is steadfast in the collecting of stamps, is the person who is rewarded in a wonderful degree; and it is the collector who is flighty, who is all enthusiasm for a few weeks, only to let his enthusiasm ooze out after a short period, who not only does not get much benefit from the pastime, but will lose by it, as he buys specimens for his album at retail rates, and then sells them back at wholesale, losing considerable by the operation.

A case in point: The Chicago correspondent of a stamp journal says that a certain dealer in that city has within the past three or four years bought back from a collector there, several collections, the collector being attacked so often with the collecting fever and while it is upon him, buys freely, masses a fairly good collection only to have his interest and enthusiasm lapse, the selling of the collection back to the dealer following as a matter of course. Now this is folly of the worst kind. If the collector in question had been steadfast in the collecting of stamps, and had hung on to his first collection, and kept adding to it as he could, he would now have a valuable collection, and one worth considerably more than it cost, instead of having no collection at all and being out quite a good deal of money besides.

I would urge all collectors who are collecting at all, to give this matter their attention. Make up your minds that you are in the ranks for good and all, that you will collect so long as you live; by doing this, you will eliminate the element—a disastrous one it is, too—of "hurry" from your collecting. You know you have plenty of time; you do not have to make a complete colletion in a few weeks or months. You are enlisted not only "for the war" but for life, and you can afford to take your time. To do this insures several things: 1. Perfect specimens, since you are in no hurry, and can wait until a perfect specimen comes your way.

2. A handsome collection, because having plenty of time you can arrange the stamps in a handsome manner. 3. A good collection and a valuable one, at a low price, for the reason that being in no hurry, you can take your time and wait and watch for bargains, and when seen you can take advantage of them to your great benefit. 4. An ultimate fine collection, for all the reasons set forth above. Having plenty of time in which to make the collection, the result can not be otherwise than that you will ultimately be the possessor of a handsome and valuable collection.

It is a common thing nowadays to read of collectors returning to the ranks who were collectors years and years ago, and who for one reason or another quit collecting. Nine times out of ten it will be found that these collectors went into the work in the first place without any set idea of making it any permanent thing, they did not have much knowledge of the pastime but had become interested in it through hearing so much about collecting, and after they had collected for awhile, let their interest wane, and later quit altogether. Then, years later, having learned that there are thousands of collectors in the United States and Canada, and tens of thousands in the world, and having learned that stamps are valuable, that there are hundreds of publications devoted to nothing else save stamps and stamp collecting, they have become interested a second time and have started to collect again. And it is from these collectors of anet bellum days that come the wails over old collections lost, destroyed or given away, which, had the owners started collecting right, and remained steadfast in the work, would have been worth enough to set said owners up in business, or enable them to take life easy for a few years at least.

Lack of steadfastness is the chief difficulty to be met with in the case of young collectors. I do not think the stamp journals, as a rule, impress this point upon the minds of young collectors to the degree that they should. If you will convince the young collector that it will pay him to become a permanent collector he will become one; if you let him think the pastime is merely a fad, to be fostered and indulged in for awhile and then dropped, you assist in keeping the percentage of permanent collectors from the ranks of the young down to a low notch. The young collector is not told to go slow and build up a collection by degrees, but to hustle and get a collection as quickly as possible, or he will get left—which results, too often, in the young collector making strenuous efforts, in the spending of all his pocket money, and finally in his becoming tired and discouraged, where, had he been taught aright and told to go slow and to take his time, buying only when he is sure he is getting a bargain and when he can spare the money, he would never have become tired of the pastime, and discouraged or disgusted. The young collector must have a little money for other pleasures; stamp collecting will not fill the entire bill. In a few years, however, he will have become a determined persistent collector, and one who will spend his money freely, when he has the money to spare, and the dealers who did not make much off his trade when he was in the incipient stage, so to speak, of the collecting fever, will then, and forever after, have opportunities in plenty of reaping profits from his trade.

Encourage the young collector to be

steadfast in the collecting of stamps, to become a permanent collector; it will pay us all, for it will cause the number of collectors to grow more rapidly, and every addition to the ranks makes the collections, already formed and forming, more valuable.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

THE point to which all our collectors are looking forward, is the issuing of Scott's 59th Standard Catalogue. Dealers are already beginning to quote its prices, and one monthly here is printing the advance sheets, but collectors are still uninformed as to the changes that have been made. The statement that the "boom" prices of the 58th have been disregarded seems to be received with favor by both dealers and collectors, both of whom have tired of the 50% discount business.

THE colonial stamps of the United States are in a fair way to become as unpopular as the earlier issues of the French colonies. It is charged and admitted that the government dies at Hartford Conn., have been used to print the surcharge for Cuba on many different varieties of envelopes, some lots numbering only 1,500. The Postoffice Department states that this has been put a stop to, but how many varieties have been printed and how many forgeries will be put on the market on the strength of this slip remains to be seen. There is no question but that the stamps are good for postal purposes, indeed, some surcharges have been received through the mails, but other lots have been printed on private orders, and then appear in the hands of dealers at 25 cents each. They seem to be speculative issues, sold first for the benefit of the Cuban postal department, and afterwards at greatly increased prices, by dealers who have arranged for the printing of the particular variety or varieties offered for sale. If collectors want these, they had better buy them from reputable dealers who, in the event of the envelopes being discredited, will arrange matters to the satisfaction of all concerned.

THE private mailing cards authorized by act of Congress in May, 1898, are causing endless trouble to the postal officials. The law requires that they shall bear the words "Private Mailing Card, authorized by act of Congress of May 19, 1898" and be of practically the same weight and size of the official cards, but the dear public interprets this with latitude. The inscription is practically never used by private individuals and the cards vary from a piece of letter paper to binder's board in weight, and sizes and shapes are numberless.

THE Philadelphia National Export Exposition which opened on the 14th enjoys the distinction of being advertised by the Government through the cancelling machines. Each local letter passing through the Philadelphia office receives this stamp. The Buffalo and Toledo expositions have followed suit.

THE Philippine stamps now coming here to dealers, are in most all cases badly stuck together, and "by the pound" is the way one correspondent advises their sale.

THE diagonal surcharge is well done and no errors have so far been chronicled. The stamps are popular.

THE stamps issued by the United States during September are the $100, $500 and $1000 revenues, surcharged postage Due stamps 1, 2, 5, and 10 cent denominations

for Cuba; and for the Philippines 1, 2, 5, and 10 cent postage dues, 2 cent red on white envelopes, and 1 cent green on manila surcharged wrapper.

THE Postoffice Department states that Cuba is wholly independent of the United States in postal service matters. The new adhesives, envelopes and special delivery issues are of different design and on differently watermarked paper from those for the United States. It seems likely, therefore that within a short time we shall have a distinctive set of Postage Due stamps for Cuba.

GREAT Barrier Island is worrying our collectors, those who have not invested and those who have are equally anxious as to the character of its pigeonpost.

BUSINESS is getting to be much better here with the approach of winter, it certainly has been quiet during vacation season, which probably affects Washington more than it does other cities, by reason of its government official population.

The Conventions.

At the conventions held at Detroit the following officers were elected.

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Among the most common faults in philatelic advertising is the overcrowding of space, the use of too fine type in the body of the ad, and the type insufficiently bold and striking. If you are preparing a three inch ad and have hit upon a neat, clever headline, one inch of the space, at least, should be devoted to the headline.—Louis G. Quackenbush.

The stamps of Germany have little to boast of in the way of beauty, but they have always been popular, and for the amount of study received from philatelic students they are second to none.—Gordon C. Corbaley.

Let your collection be as large as you can make it, without spoiling it, but do not sacrifice the opportunity to make a good collection, merely for the sake of a large collection. Give up once and forever the idea that you can make, or that you should even try to make, a complete collection.—Hobart Clark.

There is no end to the pleasure, which a philatelic convention affords to those who are fortunate enough to be able to attend, for the convention is not only a pleasure-maker but it is a most successful advertiser.—D. Harlan King.

There was a time when most of our prominent dealers were also collectors, and hence a kind of fellow interest kept collectors and dealers together in spirit. But slowly, as the monetary side of stamp collecting was emphasized by the former and sustained by the latter, the gap began to widen, and gradually dealers began to break up their collections.—E. L. Smiley.

A glance over a catalogue will show that a pen-cancelled stamp is almost always supposed to occupy a lower philatelic scale than the same stamp postally cancelled, even though the two may have been printed on the same sheet, side by side.—Amy L. Swift.

Should a stamp become folded or creased do not attempt to straighten without first dampening it. Many a good stamp has been spoiled for want of proper care. To remove the paper from stamps that will not bear soaking, simply dip in water and spread out for a few minutes, or take a flat dish, put blotting paper at bottom and cover with sufficient water to soak the paper; lay stamps on, with paper down. --Chas. J. Thomas

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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

WE believe that all the philatelic publishers and dealers will agree with us when we state that on account of receiving so many stamps in payment for subscriptions and advertising, albums stamps etc., if something could be invented to take the place of stamps being sent for small amount it would be the greatest boon, mail order people have ever received. In order to try and overcome this present means of sending small amounts, Mr. Fred H. Nichols, asst P. M. Lynn, Mass. intends to present some suggestions to remedy this evil at a meeting of posmasters to be held in Washington in November. We await with interest the decision of the department and trust that if the mean semployed is a success, that the Canadian postoffice department will take the matter in hand. We think that no commission should be charged the purchaser as is the case with postal notes. We can buy as many stamps as we wish, and are not required to pay anything extra. Why should we for postal notes?

For the benefit of our readers who have not experienced this difficulty we will state that during the damp weather unused stamps are very apt to stick to the letter, sometimes making it unreadable; and in most cases the stamps have to be soaked off. As business men, receiving stamps for small remittances, cannot possibly use all the stamps themselves, they are usually compelled to sell them at a discount, and in a large business this is no small amount. We suggest to Mr. Nichols that he present as one of his suggestions, the present postal note system of Canada, but to charge no commission for amounts under $1.00.

DURING the past month we notice that

several correspondents are expressing wonder that the 2 cent map stamps are being placed on sale. This should not cause any surprise, because we announced some time ago, that the department at Ottawa, had no intention, whatever, of discontinuing the issue. We may as well say that we received this news from Hon. Wm. Mulock, himself, not from his deputies, so collectors may be sure they can rely upon our former statement.

Mr. Filsinger, whose ad appears on page 48, informs us that he has sold all the 5c numerals, used, but can fill orders for all others advertised.

We do not comment, as much as we should, perhaps, on the pleasing increase in the membership of the D. P. A. Not alone is the membership growing larger but the interest in the different departments, especially the Exchange Depart- is gradually increasing, and we can expect that the D. P. A. will soon be on the level with any other association on the continent.

A slight error occurs on page 57, the top line in the second column should have been placed at the bottom.

As we announced, very briefly, in last issue, so briefly in fact, that some of our readers may not have noticed it, the two-cent red, numeral issue, has appeared. Berlin was the first post office in Canada to secure them, and Berlin philatelists are exceedingly proud of the fact. Mr. Chas. F. Niehaus, the post-master, although not personally interested in stamps, does all in his power to aid the resident collectors, and is always on the alert to obtain anything which will be at all likely to interest philatelists. We hope that the postmaster may be fortunate enough to secure any new issues of the postoffice department, which may suddeny crop up, as quickly as those lately issued

W. Russel Brown informs us that his present address is care of Central Business College, Toronto. Publishers please note.

We acknowledge with thanks, a set of Souvenir cards from American Souvenir Co 7 State St., Boston, Mass., and also a price list from Geo. Carion, Paris, France.

The postoffice department of the United States appears to be fond of having advertising cancellation marks, and we think it a splendid idea to have the government aiding expositions in this apparently insigi nificant manner.

The *Chicago Philatelist*, which has just appeared from Chicago, has been granted second class mailing rates. The *Philatelists Window* has also been received from Chicago. The first named paper is the best.

While we are perfectly satisfied with the attendance of members at the A. P. A. and P. S. of A. conventions in Detroit, and also with the enthusiasm shown by those present, we regret, very much that the S. of P. convention was not equally successful. However, everything has its day, and although the S. of P. is not dead yet, the convention was a decided failure.

As this is the season for philatelic journals to commence their careers, we receive a new one nearly every week. The first new one from Canada is the *Jubilee Philatelist*. If they issue a paper the size of the first one, for one year, they may be successful.

The second number of the *Rival Philatelist* cancelled, Dubuque, Iowa, has been received. The circulation is guaranteed 20. We can almost imagine that it is Robie—a travelling stamp man—speaking.

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Trustees Report.

Fellow Members:

We beg, herewith, to submit our report which was unfortunately omitted in Sept number. (Received too late for insertion—ed.)

In the matter of W. A. Lydiatt application, objections of which were filed at the recent convention, we advise that the application be not accepted, and that the matter be referred to such time as Mr. Lydiatt brings forth satisfactory evidence to refute the charges against him. Mr. L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb., has furnished us a list of various Canadian delinquents, four of which are, unfortunately, members of our society. Mr—— of Winnipeg, Mr. Mr—— Waterdon, Mr—— of Toronto, we withold names for the present. We beg herewith to request these gentlemen that a satisfactory settlement is demanded immediately or they will no longer retain their membership (this is our first and last request). Mr. R. F. C. Robinson, Winnipeg, Man. has lately received such wide publicity as a fraud, in the philatelic press that we deem it our duty, for the welfare of our society and members, to expel him forthwith, the ranks of the D. P. A. hold no place for such as these.

Re D. P. A. Handbook, a satisfactory agreement will likely be arrived at shortly and full particulars appear in Nov. number.

Owing to the small amount received by the publishers, for the Official Organ, viz 10c annually per member, they are unwilling to allot any extra space for officers reports and society news, etc., and as a result some reports only appear occasionally; we therefore suggest an increased grant to 15 cents annually per member, be paid the publishers for the Official Organ. We will obtain through this an extra amount of space than heretofore, sufficient for a full report from each officer every month.

We also recommend a special meeting of D. P. A. officers only, to be held in Hamilton, Ont., Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23rd to discuss many important matters, viz:—revision of the Constitution, a permanent membership card plans for 1900, etc., which have cropped up since convention.

We are open to receive and investigate any complaints re D. P. A. members or any other matters concerning the future welfare of our society.

Fraternally yours,
Chas. Bailey, Chairman.
Chas. S. Applegath,
G. W. Hicks,

Report of Ex. Supt.

Fellow Members:

There is now in the department a fine lot of stamps of all grades and I would be glad to hear from all members who want to be put on circuit and have a look at them.

One circuit is now out and I want to start another, soon. Don't be backward in coming forward, if you want to buy nice goods at low figures, but send in your name.

By the authority vested in me by Sec. 5 of Art 6 of the Constitution, I hereby establish the following; Ex. Dept. rule No. 11. When books are retired, 10% of the total value of each book will be retained in cash by the Supt. from the amount due owner, same to constitute an Insurance Fund to be used in reimbursing the owner of any book that may become lost, stolen,

or destroyed while in the department.

E. L. SHOVE, Supt., Unionville, N. Y.

Auction Mgr, Report.

Dear Members:

Kindly look through this month's sale and if there is anything you need, either for your collection or to sell again. Just send a p. c. bid and I don't think you will regret it, as members who once start, send bids regularly every month. Never send any torn stamps, unless rarities, to me as I wish bidders to always know they are not bidding on damaged stamps.

Also remember that if you place a reserve, to have it reasonably low. A p. c. notification is requested, either to return lots, or lower the reserve, after they have been in more than 3 times.

14th SALE.

Bids must be in by the 15th, Rules free for postage. All stamps are in good condition. Members I want your help.

Lot.		Reserve.
1.	Assorted Cuba cat $2.25	.55
2.	30 U. S. 1891 dues	
3.	Canada 4 leaf unused ½c to 10c	.40
4.	New Hebrides 1c and 2c new	.15
5.	500 N. S. W. 1c and 2c Jub.	.75
6.	3,700 2c Columbians soaked	1.25
7.	606 Ass Foreign cat $13.00 mounted on onion skin sheets	3.00
8.	77 3c Jubilees	
9.	18 1c "	
10.	25—2c Can Reg new	2.00
11.	12—3c U. S. War dept. envelopes entire 6 new 3 diff papers	.35
12.	16 ass foreign, 20 ass foreign on sheets 23 ass foreign on sheet 7 ass Mexico	
13.	Nfld nos 55, 57, 87, 88, Costa Rica 4 Ceylon '91 133 134 154, Can 5c Jub*	.19
14.	25 Xmas light green	.20
15.	25 " dark green	.20
16.	25 " Lavender	.40
17.	Sheet 100 3c leaf surch *2c	
18.	Sheet 100 3c num surch *2c	
20.	10—½c leaf	
21.	50—1c leaf	
22.	20—2c "	
23.	25—3c "	
24.	25—5c "	
25.	[illegible]	
26.	500 2c red	
27.	50—2c surch on 3c	
28.	Postcards Victoria nos 718, 718, 808 cat 57c W. Australia 402	.25
29.	Set 4 leaf ½c to 10c	.30

* means unused

R. S. MASON, Auc Mgr.
Hamilton, Ont., Can.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

318. Jas. Wurtele, Montreal, Que.
319. B. H Schewe, Pittsburg, Penna
320. W. W. Bolton, Victoria, B. C.
321. Harvey Combe, Victoria, B. C.
322. Fred Allat, Victoria, B. C.
323. C. T. Wrigglesworth, Victoria, B, C.
324. Edward A. Evans, Quebec, Que.
325. Morris C. Runyan, Trenton, N. J.
326. Sidney H. Barnes, Marceline, Mo.
327. Henry Rice, 208 East 112th St. N. Y.
328. J. C. Rice, Losoya, Texas.
329. Frank J. Jansky, Chicago, Ill.
330. J. A. La Ferrierre, Berthierville, Que.
331. Herman Jaeger Berlin. Ont.
332. Bert Putnam, Buffalo, N. Y.
333. O. J. Edwards, Philadelphia, Penna.
334. G. T. Mc Corvey University, Ala.
335. Erwin L. Fisher, Cincinnati, Ohio.
336. Julius Knauff, Berlin, Ont.
337. Jonathan Osborne, Blairhampton, Ont

APPLICATIONS

Reginald Scott, Box 539. Woodstock, Ont. age 14, student, J. H. Nasmyth, Starnaman, Bros.

Rev. Edwin Ewell, Denmark, Iowa 40 clergyman, J. H. Lowe, E. B. Mac Gillivray.

S. H. Brosseau, 173 St. Hubert St, Montreal, Que 19, Asst. Book keeper, Starnaman Bros.

Mrs. P. W. Bell, c/o F. B. Pemberton, Victoria, B. C, Thos S. Futcher, S. Bros.

E. A. W. Juhlin, Salvation Army, Victoria, B. C. 29, Captain in S. A. Thos. S Futcher, Starnaman Bros.

Robert S. Day, Box 150, Victoria, B. C. 40 Insurance & Real Estate, Thos. S. Futcher Starnaman Bros.

Fred Freeman, Haliburton, Ont. 46, Merchant, R. H. Baker, Edward Spurr.

James Whiteside, 131 Cross St, Philadelphia, 38, Life Insurance, W. C. Elliot,

phia, 38, life insurance, W. C. Elliott and E. V. Campion.
Marvin S. Mitchell, Tippecanoe City, O. 18 Stamp Dealer, Starnaman Bros. Paul Cline.
Fred E. Glasgow, 1201 Fairfield Ave., Bridgeport, Black Rock Dist. Conn 33, Invalid, Starnaman Bros. Rev Henry, C. Woodruff.
Justus J. Doolittle, 244 Seymour Ave. Utica, N. Y. A. R Magill, S. G Merrimer
N. G. Armstrong, Hallock. Minn., 37 clerk District Court, Cecil Rawson, G. W. Starnaman.
Rudolph Schwedler, Oak Park, Ill. 18 Starnaman Bros., Jas P. Allen.
Treymond Babcock Dayton, Tex. clerk in P. O., R. L. Doak, Elmer E. Cussick. P. M
Fred B. Filsinger, Waterloo, Ont, 22, Insurance clerk, Starnaman Bros.
Geo. A. Fairbairn, Minnedosa, Man. 17 Drug Apprentice Starnaman Bros.
M. Steele, Bank of B. C. Victoria, B. C. 31, Bank Messenger, J. Hebden Gillespie, Thos S. Futcher.
Ira C. Holt, Springvalley, Wis 20 clerk, Carl I. Whitley, Starnaman Bros.
Axel Lindegard, Hallock, Minn., 37 Merch ant, Cecil Rawson, Geo. W. Starnaman.
Harry Pamplin Jr. Woodstock, Ont 17 stamp dealer, Starnaman Bros, Lorne Mc Innis.
D. F. Miller, 43 Cleveland Ave, Buffalo, N. Y. 16, cashier Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co., Chas F. Robinson, Raymor Hubbel.
Ludwig Schill, Photographer, 238 Washinton St., Newark, N. J. 42 R. Von Pirch, John Meride.
L Z. Joncas Jr., Villa Montreal, Beauport, Que. 26, clerk Ernest F. Wurtele, Edw. A Evans.
Walter O. Coulman, 271 Clinton St., Toronto, Ont. 14, E. B. MacGillivray, Chas. Wrigley.
R. S. Smart, 559 Church St., Toronto, Ont 14, student. E. B. MacGillivary, E Corker.
Alfred Rene, 99 Ann St., Toronto, Ont. 44 mould maker. E. B. MacGillivray, Chas. Wrigley.
L. Hutchings, Jasper Hall, Jamaica, W. I. 50, accountant, Chas. Bailey, G. Eustace Burke.

The above will be admitted to membership Oct. 15th provided no objection is filed with the Secretary before that date.

CHANGE IN ADDRESS.

Ross D. Breniser, 332 So. Highland Ave., Pittsburg, Penna.
W. H. Mc Dowell, Box 323 Media, Pa.
Emmet F. Horine, 310 Jackson St., Americus, Ga.
Chas F. Robinson, 43 Cleveland Ave, Buffalo, N. Y.
F. J. Garraty, 500 Guy St. Montreal, Que.
W. Russel Brown, c/o Central Business College, Toronto, Ont.
The financial statement is crowded out.

I have received a neat 24 page list from Mr. A. F. Wicks, Mgr. Atlas Stamp & Pub. Co., London, Ont. He has given a good description of the benfits of our Association. The price list contains some splendid offers and it will be worth your while to ask him for a copy.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN,
Berlin, Ont.

Important to Members.

Members who have cuts of themselves and who wish them to appear in the Handbook are requested to send them as soon as possible. We will pay return postage.

Several members have asked if there are any prizes offered for new members. A full list of prizes will appear in the Handbook. Any member wishing to make donations for prizes should notify us at once

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in the

D. P. A. Handbook and Canadian Directory.

Is going fast. If you want space write at once and we will notify you when to send copy.

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Argentine Rep. 5 " 5c.
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3 var old Canadian Post Cards 5c.
1000 O. K. Hinges 5c. **The lot for 25c**
paid with ½c stamps. Pstge extra under 25c
Beaver Stamp Co, Box 300, Simcoe, Ont.

These will be rare.
Die A 1899 Envelope on white, buff amber and blue, 4 unused..... 75c
Die A on white 6c. Amber 10c Buff 10c
Greece (Olympian) 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20 7c
Bolivia 1894, 1, 2, 5, 10 and 20..... 5c
8 U. S. Columbians 1c to 10c..... 12c
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J. D. Hubel, 1265 Trumbull Ave., Detroit, Mich

ANNOUNCEMENT.
On Oct. 10th the J. & F. KREISSL STAMP CO., will recommence business with an extra fine stock of stamps. Orders for Approval Sheets at 50 per cent taken before and after the 10th. Former patrons please let us know if more sheets are wanted.
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100
Blank approval Sheets
for 25c, 250 for 50c, 500 for 99c.

100
ENVELOPES
with your return card printed in the corner for 25c, 250 for 60c.

100
NOTE HEADS
with your name and business printed on for 35c, 250 for 75c.

All sent postpaid.
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NEW ZEALAND '98 ½, 1 and 2d 5c; 15 var British Colonials 8c. Postage extra. Approval sheets 50% com.
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Fine 10c Packet
Contains 201 fine stamps cat. 1 to 10c, contains rare old Cuba, old Denmark, etc.
For only 10c.
Note:—In one packet sent was one stamp cat. 25c alone; in another a fine one cat. 18c
JOHN PELZ Arlington, Minn.
In exchange for sixty 1c or 175 two cent Omahas I will give one of above packets.

BARGAIN LOTS FOR DEALERS.
Bolivia '94, 1-100c, 7 var cat 51, 5 sets 70c
* Costa Rica '89, 1-50 5 var, " 25, 6 " 30c
Greece (Olympian) 1-20l 5 var. 5 " 25c
Honduras '96, used, 1-1p cat. 45c 5 " 75c
Labuan '94, 2-40c used cat 1.10 5 " $1.00
Not less than 5 sets each sold at above price
Postage extra. Satisfaction guaranteed.
G. P. LeGrand, Paspebiac, Que.

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30 varieties 13 cents.
50 varieties 28 cents.
1, 2 and 3c Proprietary Rev. first iss. 10c.
Die A. cut square 3c
FOREIGN
50 varieties 3 cents.
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Postage extra on orders under 25 cts.
I BUY FOR CASH
all Canadian and U. S. issues prior to 1890.
Send what you have for offer.
A. R. BUTLER,
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9th AUCTION SALE. CLOSES OCT. 21st.

All stamps are in good condition unless otherwise stated. Bid by number of lot.
Postage paid by purchaser.

Lot No.	Canada.	No in lot.
1.	3 pence laid 1851	1
2.	3 pence Ribbed 1858	1
3.	15c 1868 unused o. g. reserve 55c	1
4.	3c 1868 wmkd val $1.50	1
5.	½c black 1868	3
6.	3p and 10c 1859	2
7.	1c pink 1859	4
8.	1c red brown 1868 on cover	1
9.	10c 1888 laid paper, off center	1
10.	1c yellow 1869 large	1
11.	2c purple env entire res 75c	2
12.	2c purple env entire reserve $1.00	3
13.	3c red env entire 1895	35
14.	3c red env. entire 1898	6
15.	1c blue 1st iss unused 1871 postcard	4
16.	1c outer line on card 1st iss '71 "	5
17.	1c outer line top and bottom " 1st issue scarce "	1
18.	1c ist issue 1871-76 "	100
19.	1c 1871-76 Montreal print "	160
20.	1c 1871-76 Montreal and Ottawa "	50
21.	same as above.	66
22.	1c '82-92 many var in color	190
23.	2—1c, 3—5c '59, 4—3c '68	9
24.	2—5c Jub, 4—3c, 1c orange old shades	7
25.	20c and 50c 1892	2
26.	3c 1868 ribbed damaged, scarce	1
27.	6c 1882-96 unperforated, wide margins (like rouletted) rare	1
28.	½c figures	100
29.	1c figures	180
30.	3c "	158
31.	2c "	162
32.	1c Jubilee	24
33.	3c "	30
34.	3—1c, 3--2c, 4—3c '95 iss unused	10
35.	2c 4 leafs	14
36.	3c 1882-96	500
37.	1c yellow '82-96	200
38.	2c green 1882-96	100
39.	100—1c, 100—2c, 100—3c figures	300
40.	5c 4 leafs	15
41.	5c figures	4
42.	3 pence perf cat $3.50	1
43.	3c laid value $5	1
44.	3c laid val $10	2
45.	Rev. cat $12 or over reserve $1.25	100
46.	Rev. cat $6 reserve 65c	20
47.	1c green 2 figures	494
48.	3c red 2 figures	500
49.	½c Jubilee and ½c figures on cover	2
50.	P. E. I. 3c on cover used val 2.50	1
51.	*New Brunswick 1c 2c 5c 10c used 12½c blue	5
	Newfoundland.	
52.	10c 1866 good	1
53.	2c 1866 green	1
54.	1c violet specimen reserve $1	1
55.	3c vermillion val $4	1
56.	3c Rouletted 1876	1
57.	28—1c, 9—3c, 7—2c '87 6 U. S.	51
58.	3c blue 1880	15
59.	1c carmine '98 scarce	4
60.	3c 1880	6
61.	well ass. cat 64c	15
62.	*1c on 3c type I, II,	2
63.	1c on 3c 1897 unused	1
64.	4—3c 1880, 2c '87	5
65.	3c 1860	15
66.	3c 1890	56
67.	2 unused 1c p. c. 8 used, 2—2c also	12
68.	2—1c post cards, 2—1c carmine	4
69.	3—1c carmine '98, 5c blue on cover	4
	Nova Scotia.	
70.	3p blue, cat. $1.50	1
71.	3p dark blue, value $1.75	1
72.	3p " " " " on cover	1
73.	3p " " unused, no gum val $10	1
74.	2c, 5c and 10c, value $3.10	3
75.	*2c, 2—2c used, 5c used, val $3.35	4
	Canada	
76.	1c Envelope entire 77-96	25
77.	1c " " "	30
78.	18 1c envelope with 24 stamps on	42
79.	17 1c " " 60 ½c " "	77
80.	11 1c " " 42 ½c " "	50
81.	2 1c " " 8 ½c " "	10
82.	10 2c " " 20 ½c " "	30
83.	2 1c " '77 " 5 ½c " "	7
84.	7 2c " green '95 2 " "	9
85.	7 2c " " '95 14 ½c 4 leaf	21
86.	9—1c env '98 with 36 ½c figs on	45
87.	1c Jubilee postcards used entire	87
88.	4 leaf postcards entire	87

U. S. Postage.

89. 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c Omaha 6
90. 10c green 1861 2
91. 4, 5, 8c Omaha 3
92. 1c blue 1855 1
93. 1c blue 1851 scarc var but damaged 1
94. 10c green 1851 1
95. 3c outer line 1855 1
96. var Special Delivery cat 25c 2
97. 2 var 6c and 8c 1893 2
98. var 2c capped, 3c, 6c, 8c 1890 4
99. 1c blue No. 132 grilled val $1.00 1
100. 10c green 1855 1
101. 10c 1868 grilled cat 60c 1
102. same as above 1
103. 9—3c, 4 -6c, 5—8c 1894-95 18
104. 14—1c, 16—2c 1879-87 on cover 30
105. postcards entire '73-86 2c unused 50
106. postcards 1877 1c 142
107. 38—1c, 28—2c Omaha 66
108. assorted cat $5 good 40
109. assorted cat 1c up to 10c 100

U. S. Revenues.

110. 2c prop No 2812 on a card 1
111. 2c playing cards No. 2810 on photo 1
112. 2c " " No. 1810 " " 1
113. 2c bank check No. 2804 part perf 1
114. 2c prop green damaged No 2817 old paper 1
115. 2c Telegraph No 2818 old paper 1
116. 5c cert No 5823 part perf 1
117. 10c power of atty No 2836 part perf 1
118. 25c Insurance No. 2845 part perf 1
119. 25c power of atty No 2847 part perf 1
120. 50c conv. No. 2853 part perf 1
121. 50c conv No. 2853 Imperf val $1.76 1
122. 50c Mortgage No 2858 part perf 1
123. 20c blue & black No 2911 little dam 1
124. *2c No 2805, *50c No 2853 old paper 2
125. *2c lake playing card '94. No 2968 2
126. 1c No 3327 I. S. Johnson 1
127. U. S. Revenues cat. 1c up 56
128. 5c black No 3498 R. M. & Co. 1

Foreign Stamps.

129. asstd U.S., B. N. A. cat. 1 to 10c 140
130. " India, value 36c 17
131. 8 10c Peru '74, 3 25c vio. Neth'land 5 var Turkey 7 Argentine, 22
132. 12 ½p, 2 1p '85-90 Jamaica 14
133. Orange Free States 1p 1876 4
134. S. Africa 3 1p red, 25 1p red & gr. 28
135. " 8 1p '85, 12 ½p '94-95 20
136. Cape of G. H. 24 1p, 13 ½p '81-96 37
137. " " " 1p 1893 28
138. Natal 6p lilac 1884 2
139. " ½p on 1p 1895 good 8
140. " 1p 1884 28
141. " ½p 1884 24
142. Grenada 1p 1887 8
143. Trinidad 2½p '83-84 11
144. Victoria 2p '86-87 7
145. Great Britain 2½p '80-82 1
146. " " 3 ½p, 13 1p '80-82 16
147. " " 2½p claret 1876 7
150. Ecuador 1s green, No. 223 used 1
151. Romana 5p blue, No. 29, 1
152. Acores, No. 79 used surch. 1
153. Mexico 10c No. 326 1
154. Gt. Britain 4p sea green, No. 102 1
155. " 6p No. 92 value 50c 1
156. " cat. $1.23 good, var. 23
157. Natal 1sh '87-89 2
158. Natal, 1s pair Rev. used for postage scarce, lilac and carmine 2
159. Gt. Britain, 7 3p, 4 2p 1892 11
160. " 1s 1892 4
161. " 2½p 1883-84 6
162. " 5p 1896 12
163. Jamaica good, var. 7
164. Japan " " 15
165. Italy " " 25
166. Trinidad cat. 16c, 4 var. 4
167. good foreign cat. 75c var 21
168. Austria, 20kr gray No. 58. val 60c 80
169. " 15kr car. 1890 value 60c 30
170. " 20kr 1890 value $2.15 43
171. " 30kr " " 30c 10
172. Austria 20 kr. 1891 val $1.50 50
173. " 30 kr 1891 val 36c 12
174. " 1p on 10kr blue '90 val 24c 12
175. Belgium 5c green 1893 10
176. Germany 1gr Rose 1872 13
177. Gr. Britain ½p red 70 val $1.20 30
178. " ½p green & slate 1883 27
179. " 3p 1887-95 15
180. " 5p 1887-95 48
181. India 1 anna 1881-82 15
182 " ½ anna 1883 13

See our 10th Sale. Fraud bidders will be published next month if accounts are not paid

Royal Stamp Co. Box 433, St. Catharines, Ont

October Bargains.

8	var	Russia	.02
8	"	Japan	.02
6	"	Spain	.02
6	"	Netherlands	.02
4	"	Greece	.02
4	"	Sweden official	.02
4	"	Egypt	.02
10	"	France '76-91	.05
8	"	" ,71-74	.05
10	"	Germany	.02
5	"	Hungary '81	.04
7	"	Hungary '88	.04
6	"	Austria	.01
12	"	Australia	.02
4	"	Bavaria	.01
10	"	Jamaica	.10
8	"	Belgium postal packet	.10
5	"	Bolivia	.07
10	"	Brazil	.05
5	"	Argentine	.02
8	"	Bosnia	.14
9	"	Cape of Good Hope	.12
6	"	Bulgaria	.04
5	"	Guanacaste	.12
10	"	Dutch Indies	.13
15	"	Mexico	.12
5	"	Servia	.07
7	"	Tunis	.10
8	"	Victoria	.09
7	"	Wurtemburg	.08
10	"	Switzerland	.02
10	"	Portugal	.02
10	"	Italy	.02
5	"	Chili	.02
7	"	Luxemburg	.02
12	"	Sweden	.03
12	"	Norway	.03
8	"	Denmark	.02
8	"	Roumania	.02
7	"	Finland	.02
7	"	Uruguay	.09

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Member D. P. A.

Buy Stamps at your own price

My 2nd Auction Sale.

All bids close Oct. 20th.

Bid by number of lot. Postage to be paid by purchaser. All stamps *unused* unless otherwise stated.

Canada

1. 25 diff entire Canadian envelopes, post cards and letter cards.
2. 1 surcharged 2c on 3c envelope 1877
3. 2 envelopes 1877 3c red
4. 2 surcharged 2c on 3c envelopes 1877.
5. 1 envelope 1877 3c vermillion.
6. 1 Special Delivery used, on cover,
7. Block of 25 Imperial maps lavender.
8. same as above dark blue
9. Block of four 6 cent maple leaf
10. Strip of three 8c maple leaf
11. 3—5c Jubilee
12. 50 stamp papers assorted (postage 5c)
13. 2c purple envelope.
14. 20—3c orange Newfoundland used
15. 4 surcharged 2c on 3c figures on cover
16. 20 surcharged maple leaf used.
17. 10 Imperial map stomps on cover.
18. 100—3c Jubilees
19. 4 diff shades map stamps used
20. 25 Jubilee postcards used.
21. 25 surcharged 2c on 3c numerals
22. 1c and 2c Jubilee on cover
23. 50c Jubilee cracked across center

Successful bidders will be notified.

MARY E. BISH,
ERB ST., WATERLOO, ONTARIO.

CANADA . . . SURCHARGE . .

2c on 3c numeral used 6 for 5c; 25 for 15c.
" maple leaf " 6 for 5c; 25 for 20c.
Imperial (map) used 6 for 5c; 25 for 20c.
2c RED numeral... 10 for 5c; 100 for 25c.
3c 1877 Envelope, red, unused..... 20c.
3c " " vermillion, unused 30c.
3c " " red, surcharged 2c 25c.

Postage extra on orders under 25c.

MARY E. BISH, WATERLOO, ONT.

Exchange Wanted.

Candaian and U. S. Revenue and Bill stamps wanted for British Columbia Law stamps. Send what you have on approval and state which B. C. stamps you want.

T.S.Futcher, Victoria, B.C.
Vice President D P. A.

ALL FOR 12 cents.

1 stamp cat 10c
10 var stamps cat 20c
50 " " " 50c
100 mxd " " 1.00
5, 10, 25c '98 Revenues.

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DEALERS.

Here are a few snaps out of which you can make a good profit.

	10 sets cat.	Price.	Profit allowing 50%.
Great Britain Army Official	$2.10.	40c	65c
Hong Kong 3 var	.60.	12c	18c
Sweden 10 "	1.00.	20c	30c
Wurtemberg 4 "	.40.	8c	12c
Cuba assorted	1.00.	20c	30c
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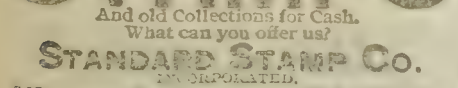

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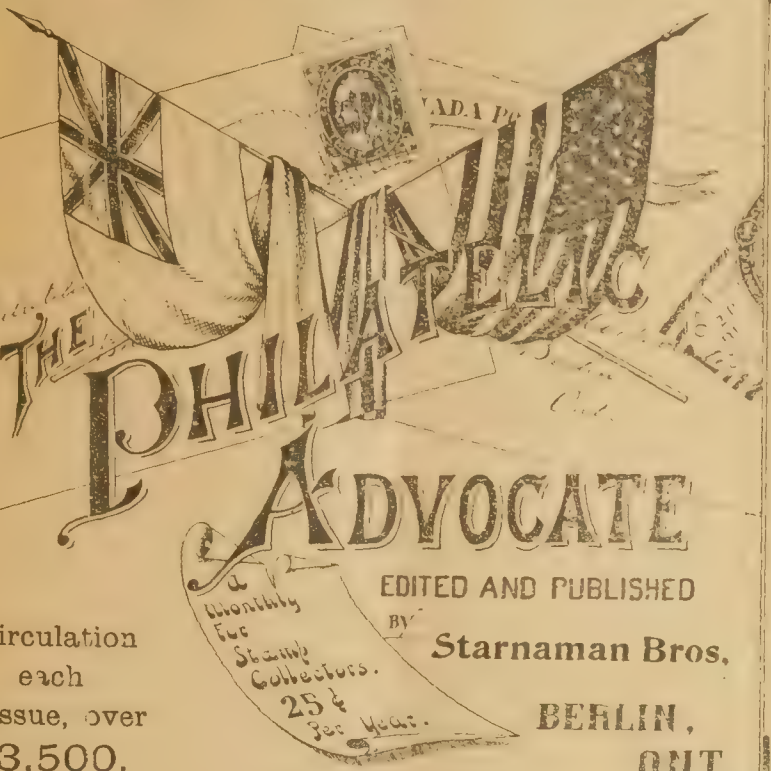

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Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and Articles of Noted Writers Carefully Condensed.

By Geo. W. Starnaman.

It is said by those who know, that in making a fortune the first thousand dollars comes the hardest and costs the most, no matter how large that fortune may afterwards become. The very reverse of this is true in making a collection of stamps. The first thousand stamps cost the least and are usually the most easily obtained of any in the collection.—Rev. Hobart Clark.

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Philatelia does not require any secret organization to make us an order of brothers; but I do think we could enjoy many an hour of travel, a day's sojourn, or even a short ride on the street car, if some emblem were adopted by which one philatelist might know another light, without any formality.—C. K. Sturtevant.

Viewed from a censervative standpoint, errors in surcharges are very seldom desirable property, and the less attention they receive at the hands of philatelists, the better for the pursuit. Of all philatelic speculations the easiest of execution, and of all philatelic pretences the most transparent, surcharge errors are at best, a delusion and a snare.—Lewis G. Quackenbush

Many collectors who have rearranged their collection once or twice upon the issuing of new editions of the catalog have given up at last in despair, thinking that there could be no permanent arrangement of a collection, and have henceforth added stamps without attempt at any arrangement beyond grouping the various issues together.—Crawford Capen.

Envelopes are very poor things to invest in, and many dealers have told me that they do not handle them. So many colletors make a specialty of entire envelopes now, that the market for cut squares will soon be similar to the cut rounds.—Geo. S. Seymour.

The philatelist who is exact and methodical about his collection, and who makes it a point to carefully collect and classify all legitimate issues and new varieties, on returning to his album after neglecting it all summer finds himself over burdened with work.—M. C. Spears.

Every collector who makes a practice of studying his stamps, must have been struck with the similarity which often exists between the emissions of countries widely separated geographically, and with no political or other ties to bind them.—F. Putney Jr.

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The Postmaster General has issued an order to the effect that mail matter passing between the United States and Porto Rico shall be subject to domestic rates of postage and the United States postage stamps shall be valid for postage in either direction, in addition to those now used in Porto Rico. This will make the surcharged stamps for this colony a good thing for collectors.

The Ohio Centennial of 1902 is the last advertised; in the postmark of the Toledo office.

Putting up stamps for the public in conveniently sized books with waxed paper between the leaves is a scheme now being considered by the P. O. Department, and quite a number of interesting items and points will probably be discussed at the meeting of Postmasters to be held here shortly. The department has granted one week's leave to every first class postmaster who may desire to attend this convention.

A letter with the following surcharged and a 5-cent Hawaiian stamp was received in the Chicago Postoffice the other day "Paquebot, U. S. charge to collect 10c." The person to whom it was directed upon being asked for the 10 cents, complained that the package was not overweight and therefore the 10 cents was not due. This was too much for the carrier, and it required an investigation to finally show that the charg ewas not for overweight, but was a private charge. The word Paquebot means that it was carried by a non-official boat, and the ten cents is collected by the captain from the postmaster at the landing port, and is finally collected from the addressee.

Is the selling of stamps "by the pound" a straight scheme? There are many advertisements of stamps "gathered by a collector in exchange for packages of needles," "turned in by a missionary," "the result of an endloss chain for the benefit of" and many other alluring titles, all of which say that the stamps have not been sorted over. Sounds a little fishy that anyone should get them and then be willing to pass them along without examining for rarities. But I should like to have the experience of some one who has invested.

In comparing the United States pages of the 59th catalogue with the 55th, it is striking to note the increase in the number of sub-varieties catalogued. The most conspicuous, and to my mind, the most instructive, are the cap varieties of the 2c adhesive of 1890. Two of them are cheap, 3 and 5 cents respectively, so they must be fairly common, and yet they only appear in a catalogue six years after they became obsolete Probably every collector. and certainly every dealer, must have often unwittingly thrown them aside with a grunt of disgust at the consignor who sent such trash. Undoubtedly the preconceived idea as to the sameness of this issue and their abundance, kept them from being closely scrutinized for variations and discouraged close examination. But preconceived notions and weariness are precisely the two things the variation hunter must avoid. Using a good glass, he must train his mind to become automatic in recognizing variations from the usual form, however slight. At first it requires fatiguing concentration of attention, but gradually the mind slides into the grooves required, the type is automatically registered and any var-

iation from the regular picture detected without conscious thought. And a variety hunter doesn't necessarily imply a variety collector. The pleasure is largely in hunting and finding (anticipation exceeds realization) and anything found can be readily disposed of if not wanted for yourself. Even on dealers approval sheets, finds may sometimes be made, unless philatelic writers prevaricate. Some varieties are glaringly apparent, as for instance the Die A of the present 2 cent envelope; others again are hard to describe even with a specimen in hand. The American, National and Continental Prints of the 1870-79 stamps are regular cryptograms, and the penalty attached to publishing cuts, combined with the studious avoidance of lucid description on the part of cataloguers, renders it next to impossible for the average collector to identify each print. But some one finds out these sub-varieties, and usually with profit to himself, and every collector when turning away from a batch of common stamps should feel sure that he hasn't left anything good therein, to be found by some more painstaking observer. The above has been in my mind since hearing of a succession of finds by a collector-dealer in Washington while looking over what were supposed to be the veriest of trash. The 3 cent of 1861 in rose is worth about 1c, the 3c "premier gravure" of the same year is worth $60; this collector found one of these latter in a search for shade varieties of the common stamp, and many more may be drifting around in 100 bunches of the one cent type. He also unearthed (so to speak) some of the "double paper" stamps of the 1882 1 and 3 cent values. These were devised to prevent washing, and consisted of an upper thinner layer of paper upon a thicker, the thin layer havng for each stamp a circle of small perforations, through which the ink would pass to the layer beneath. A considerable number of these were issued, but they are rare. Ribbed paper specimens are also worth looking out for. So the collector should always have his eyes open, and never become set in the idea that because a stamp is common, there may not be undiscovered rare variations from one general type.

Argentine Republic.

Its Rule and Rulers, 1860-1880.

BY APEMANTUS.

Bartolome Mitre was born in Buenos Ayres June 26th 1821. He was banished by Rosas, but took part in the overthrow of Rosas in 1852. He held sevreal impcrtant offices until in 1861 his army defeated Urguiza's, which put an end to the Federalist System. In 1862, Mitre was elected to the presidency of the Argentine Confederation. In 1865, a few months after the breaking out of war between Brazil and Paraguay, Mitre refused the request of President Lopez to permit the Paraguayan army passing through one of the Argentine Provinces, neutrality having been previously declared. Upon this refusal, Lopez captured two vessels of the Argentine Navy and took possession of one of the ports, afterward marching his army across Argentine territory. The Argentines were so indignant at this proceeding on the part of the Paraguayans that on May 1st the Triple Alliance was formed. Mitre took the field at the head of the Argentine troops (afterwards made commander-in-chief of the allied forces) through this cam-

paign, 1865-1870. The Paraguayans were defeated and President Lopez killed in March, 1870. Mitre's term of office expired in 1868 and his successor elect was Sarmiento. Mitre probably averted war between Argentine and Brazil, being sent as special envoy on the occasion of settlement of the Paraguay boundries. In 1874 he was again a candidate for president, and on being defeated, tried to gain the position by force of arms. Sarmiento, whose term of office was just expiring, assisted in putting down the rebellion, and the insurgent forces were defeated and made prisoners. The new President was Avillanda. In 1892, Mitre was again candidate for the presidency, but withdrew. He was a celebrated author and publisher. He published two important historical works, the "Historia de Belgrano" and the "Historia de San Martin," besides many poems and essays, His portrait appears on the 50-cent blue, 1888, and 50c orange, 1890.

Domingo Faustino Sarmiento, is best known as an educator and journalist but during the term of his ministry to the United States he was elected president of Argentine, which office he fill, 1868-1874. His portrait may be found on the 6-cent, 1888; 6-cent 1890.

Nicholal Avillanda whose picture may be found on the 10-cent, 1888; 10-cent, 1890, was a journalist, author, and statesman.

For many years he was professor of political economy in the University of Buenos Ayres. He succeeded Sarmiento as president of Argentine 1874-1880. He died Dec. 26, 1885.

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Collecting Post Cards.

BY J. SYDNEY DALTON.

The Perils of the Philatelic Sea are many and great, and we the poor Philatelists, launched in boats of paper succumb to all the storms that rage thereon, yet perhaps our boats are of more than paper for to-day we resist some of the many storms manfully and often successfully. But to make a long story short let us here try to remedy something that, to some, may be one of the "Perils."

The collecting of Post Cards, unless carried on properly is dangerous; sometimes I have known collectors to collect post cards in the same album with their stamps. This is a very risky thing to do and should be avoided by collectors, for some of their stamps on the same page will, most likely, get spoiled by the cards. Cards should never be in the same book with stamps for damage will always come of it.

Some collectors put a hinge on the top corners of the card and paste it on the opposite page to the stamps and every time they open or close their album the consequence is this card flapping about tears off half a dozen stamps and often damages some.

To insure against damage, if a collector intends collecting post cards and stamps together he should have a separate album for each, and in this way none of his stamps will be hurt and he will have a much more picturesque collection.

Post cards do make a very pretty array especially unused and often a very valuable one as also do envelopes, and arranged in design they would catch the eye of many a non-philatelist and perhaps add one more to our ranks. But please don't discourage him by opening your album to show your collection and exhibit several stamps pulled off and hurt by the card on the opposite page.

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

IT has been our custom to issue a special Holiday Number at the beginning of each year, ever since we began publication, some three years ago. Our first special issue consisted of only twelve pages, our second contained sixteen, and third, which was issued January 1st, 1899, contained sixty pages, being the largest number of any philatelic paper in Canada. We had intended getting out a one hundred page issue to celebrate the 20th century, but whether we succeed or not has yet to be decided; it will appear about January 15th 1899. We grant our usual reduction on ads the prices being:—One page $1.50, Half page $1.25, Quarter page $1.00, two inches 65c, one inch 35c. Those advertisers who wish to secure good space should send in copy immediately, as those sending in ads first receive best space. If more than one page is taken by one advertiser, the price will be 3 pages for $4.00. Remember, that your ad. will not be inserted unless cash accompanies your order. The circulation of this issue will be 5,000. In Canada, alone, we have over 900 subscribers, so any dealer wishing to secure good Canadian custom should have a one page ad at least. We intend having interesting and instructive articles by well-informed writers. We can also use a few good articles in exchange for ad space.

The following communication has been received, and we invite philatelic writers and editors to discuss the matter thoroughly, as it is a great hindrance to our pursuit.

Windsor Mills, Que.
Editor ADVOCATE. Oct. 10, 1899.

Is in your opinion a stamp dealer justified in offering for sale on sheets on which "All stamps are guar-

anteed genuine" is printed, *Reprints*, without mentioning them as such.

Yours faithfully,
Alton Rowland, D. P. A. 206.

The editor does not have any particular views on the subject, as he is not a dealer and usually knows a reprint when he sees it, but believes that the subject has been derelict in the minds of the collector and dealer too long. It is an evil which should have been overcome before this, but no person has, as yet, offered a phrase which would indicate whether they are reprints or not. If the dealer wishes to be honest with his customers, he should write underneath the stamp "Reprint," and of course the price should be far lower than catalog price of the original. If the dealer does not mention the stamp as a reprint, and marks it at full value of a genuine specimen, he is liable to be arrested for attempted fraud. No responsible dealer would do this knowingly, and unless his clerks did it, the dealer is only a mere boy who perhaps does not know that it really is a reprint.

The *Chicago Philatelist* has discontinued and *Allegheny Phil.* will fill subscriptions.

New price lists received. W. Hammond, Palmyra, N. Y.; J. F. Negreen, 1510 William St., Omaha, Neb.; Leon V. Cass, McGraw, N. Y.; Henry F. Snow, St. John's Newfoundland.; G. C. Kieth Stamp Co., Smith's Falls, Ont.

Mr. Jas. F. Irwin, Manager of the Royal Stamp Co., St. Catharines, Ont., who advertised so liberally in the ADVOCATE, informs us that he has given up the stamp business to accept a more lucrative position.

W. Brown has sold the *Philatelic Journal of Gr. Britain* to Mess. Kirkpatrict & Pemberton, London, England.

Mr. J. M. Crom, East Pittsburg, Penna. gives the following as frauds.—N. Fitzimmons, Clinton, Ont. and E. A. Sinclair, Coldwater, Ont.

Mr. H. A. Chapman announces a new paper called *The Adhesive*, to appear Jan. 1900. We wish him success.

Evidence of the "growing time" in philately, is showing itself on all sides. The large daily newspapers are gradually giving our hobby more space and some of them have a philatelic department. The *Toronto Globe* is the latest daily to add a stamp department. They recently devoted one whole page to articles written by the "younger element" of philately, and on Nov. 4th, a stamp club will be started. The *Montreal Herald* has also added a a stamp department, but if it is always conducted in the same manner as in the issue now before us, the department can not be a success. To read the notes, one would think everything in Montreal was the best, while the young man who conducts the department must know that what he has stated is not exactly so.

"Cash with Copy" seems to be bothering some of our contemporaries in the U. S. If they would demand cash with copy there would be no bad debts. The ADVOCATE has practised this, and with what success can be seen by glancing at the advertising pages. Every ad. in this issue is paid in advance. The review editor of the *Virginia Philatelist* hopes that the day may soon be here when subscriptions and ads will be accompanied by cash. Why friend! the day is here; at any rate it is as far as the ADVOCATE is concerned.

All copy for the D. P. A. Handbook must reach us before Nov. 10th. Officers should send in their biographies at once.

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Exchange Supt. Report.

Unionville, N. Y.

Fellow Members:

I regret very much that this report has to be a fault-finding one.

An error in my last report is causing no end of trouble and I want to correct same now. The amount of insurance we are retaining when retiring books is 1% not 10% as incorrectly stated last month.

Another thing is that members are sending books *of their own manufacture* filled with stamps. Of course these cannot be circulated (read Rule 1 of the dept.); other members are sending in books containing stamps marked at catalog instead of net prices, and all these have to go back to their owners.

I am also having some trouble with members who send in books valued at $1, $2 and $3. I have sent out a few of these, but find it does not pay, as there is but little demand for stamps worth only a cent or two each and the principal patrons of the dept. object to paying postage on trash. From date, therefore, I must respectfully refuse to receive any book whose value is less than $4.00, as per rule 2 of

Please bear in mind the following and you will save me a lot of trouble:

1. Blank books for use in the department are 5c each, 6 for 25c.
2. Value of each book must be at least $4.00.
3. Prices must be net cash and not catalog value.
4. Bear in mind the discounts offered by dealers and mark your stamps as low or lower than their price if you expect them to be sold.

Since my last report, I have retired 7 books, from which sales were very satisfactory. Always glad to add a buyer to my list, so if you want to go on a circuit and receive stamps from the department, just say so.

If there are any of the members who have any of the old style books, like were used in the dept. last year (rubber stamp printing on the cover) I wish they would return same to me and receive in exchange an equal number of the new ones which are much nicer and far more convenient to use on account of their size.

Please remember this and do not send in any stamps mounted in the old style books, but use the new ones instead.

Respectfully,
E. L. Shove, Exchange Supt,
Unionville, N. Y.

Trustees Report.

Fellow Members:

We beg herewith to submit our report regarding the Handbook. The following is a copy of the offer of Starnaman Bros. by accepted us.

Agreement. Berlin, Ont., Aug. 30 '99.

We, the undersigned, agree to issue a D. P. A. Handbook to contain the D. P. A. constitution, Rules of the various departments, History of the society, Ads of D. P. A. members only, Biography of prominent members and cuts from as many as will furnish them. Said Handbook to be issued no later than Jan. 1st 1900. We will furnish the D. P. A. with 500 copies delivered to the Secy for $8.00.

In consideration of the publication of this book, we are privileged to print and sell as many copies of the book as we wish

and to dispose of them in any manner and at any price we desire. Further we are also to be allowed the privilege of issuing in combination with the book a Directory of Canadian Collectors.

All of which we promise faithfully to perform.

Starnaman Bros.

Re D. P. A. officers special meeting owing to the change in Thanksgiving Day viz Oct 19th, 5 weeks earlier than in previous years, we beg to recommend a postponment until Monday Jan. 1st 1900, at Hamilton, Ont. It is our opinion that a meeting of this nature is absolutely necessary, to personally discuss many important matters of vital interest to the society.

We herewith request the secretary to confine his reports hereafter to official news only. Omitting any recipency of price lists etc. under official heading.

Fraternally Yours,

Chas. Bailey, Chairman. }
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Bids must be in by the 15th. Rules free.

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15.	20 Canada *2c reg.	2.00
16.	12 U. S. War dept env, ent 6 new	.35
17.	Block 6 *Xmas lavender	.15
18.	30c, 50c Colum. 50c Omaha all new	1.48
19.	U. S. *1c 1894. pale ult.	.08
20.	25 var German rev.	.12
21.	1sh Great Barrier Is.	.15
22.	20 Austria Rev.	.15
23.	50 Mexico "	.50
24.	Ass. Cuba cat $2.25	.55
25.	Newfld. Nos 55, 57, 87, 88 Costa Rica 4, Ceylon 133, 134, 154 *5c Jub.	.19
26.	3700 2c Columbian$ (soaked)	1.25
27.	48 ass. post cards and envs cut sq.	
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29.	30 U. S. Rev cat 3.15	
30.	315 Cuba cat 12 50	
31.	Porto Rico 400 Asst 6.50	
32.	10 sets U. S. doc war rev ½c to $1.00	
33.	5 " " " " "	
34.	1500 ass. 1, 2, 5 and 10 U. S. doc. rev.	
35.	250 ass. prop. (few dam.)	
36.	Set prop. ½c to 4c 10 var	
37.	Omaha ½c to 10c	
38.	1893 U. S. 90c orange	
39.	2,000 U. S. 2c Columbian	
40.	100 U. S. 1895—4c brown	
41.	Set Bosnia 3 var	
42.	1 set *Cuba on U. S.	.35
43.	1899 *Cuba 4 var	.16
44.	100 U. S. Int Rev. 5th issue	
45.	100 " 4c doc. '98	
46.	5 Hawaii 5c '94	
47.	100 diff stamp papers.	

Bid early. R. S. MASON,
Auction Mgr. Hamilton, Ont

Secretary's Report.

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353. Geo. A. Fairbairn, Minnedosa, Man.
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355. Ira C. Holt, Springvalley, Wis.
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357. Harry Pamplin Jr. Woodstock, Ont.
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The above will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 34c.

APPLICATIONS.

Sydney Mulhall, Bx 71, Liverpool, Nova Scotia. Age 20, Bank Clerk. Refs. Geo. W. Hicks, W. A. Starnaman.

Nelson S. Conquest; Cotswold, Ont. 15, student. Geo. W. Starnaman, Jas. Thain.

C. E. A. Holmes, 5 Verchere Ave., Montreal, Que. 17, stamp dealer. A. R. Magill, J. W. Benson.

Philip R. Lyster, Lisgar, Ont. 60, Farmer, F. J. Garraty, Starnaman Bros.

Mrs, T. E. Kelly, 605 Isabella St., Neenah, Wis. Jas. Wurtele, T. E. Kelly.

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Owen J. B. Yearsley, Little Britain, Mariposa Station, Ont. 32. Cheese Mfgr. Starnaman Bros. J. O. Glass.

Ralph B. Bartoo, St. Ansgar, Iowa. 18, student. Starnaman Bros.

The above will be admitted to membership Nov. 15th provided no objection is filed with the Secretary before that date.

SUSPENDED FOR NON PAYMENT OF DUES.

313. Geo. Maynard, Denver, Col.

CORRECTION.

Jas. Whiteside, 631 Cross St., Phila., Pa.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$29.01.
Received for dues, etc.....	8.36.
	37.37.
Paid Official Organ Sept.....	2.30.
" postage	.83.
" 1000 application blanks....	1.75.
" Official Organ Oct.....	2.47.
" postage.....	.57.
Balance on hand.....	29.45.
	37.37.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Notes.

BY C. J. THOMAS.

An original stamp album made by the fairer sex consists of leaves of wax or vegetable paper folded to form pockets—the stamps resting therein—covers of birch bark, hand painted and tied with bright-colored ribbons. Albums are made to hold single issues or countries, but they can also be used for duplicates.

If collectors and advertisers would answer correspondence more punctual and on receipt of worthless consignments acknowledge same by card stating facts, they would do much to advance our hobby.

An American firm lately offered 6c and 12c Cuba at extremely low prices—are these counterfeits.

The 2 cent purple envelopes are coming down, being advertised at 30c to 40c. Too many are being held by Canadian collectors, get them circulated before another slump.

We are constantly hearing about new issues and 4 cent and 7 cent varieties. From information, I would say neither for some time.

6c Maple Leaf and 2c on 3c maple leaf will be cheaper in used state. At present lots unused remain in the hands of collectors, the latter variety was offered the the writer in lots of 100.

We want an envelope of larger size for double postage also one cotton lined for registration.

The *Philatelic Spectator* has appeared from Berlin, containing six pages and cover. The typography is by no means perfect but the publisher promises something better for his next number.

Periodicals.

The Ladies Home Journal for October has been received. It contains the first instalment of "The Theatre and its People"

A. B. Frost, the artist, has undertaken what is thus far his most ambitious and sustained piece of work, in a series of eight paintings, entitled "A. B Frost's Country Folks." The series will present the best of the American rural types in the different aspects of their social and neighborhood life. Each painting will be distinct and be given a full page reproduction in *The Ladies Home Journal* beginning with the Christmas number. A sample copy of this excellent 48 page paper may be secured 10c by addressing the publication at Phila. Penna.

"Keeping Cows For Profit" is the well chosen title of the newest work on practical dairying to come under our notice. We understand that a large issue of this publication is being gratuitiously circulated with the compliments of The De Laval Separator Co., 74 Cortlandt St., New York which concern offers to send a copy to every reader of the ADVOCATE upon request.

It is splendidly printed and handsomely illustrated, and altogether pleasing. The front cover shows a lithographed milking scene, and the back cover a cut of the Jersey cow, Ida Marigold which received First Prize at the Chicago Exposition.

The American Newspaper Directory for September has been received. This publication is *supposed* to give the correct circulation of every paper published in America. They credit the ADVOCATE with a circulation "estimated at less than 1000." This statement is a lie as we are willing to take oath that the ADVOCATE reaches over 3,500 persons monthly.

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100 VAR. FOREIGN POSTAGE STAMPS. GOOD CONDITION, CAT'D $2.00 FOR

75c post free.

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Cecil Rawson, 1417 Tioga St. Philadelphia, Pa.

60% On approval sheets for short time only. Send ref. C. I. JOHNSTON Co. STA. 3, BOX 150, DES MOINES IOWA.

Agents wanted.

Fine stamps at 50 per cent, send ref. Send stamp for list. **Ami Stamp Co., P. O. Box 377, Wash. D. C.**

Ingersoll Bicycle Coupons wanted. For these coupons cut out of "Up to Date" Library nos 1 to 10, I will pay 5c in cash for every two or 25 var foreign for one. H. H. Coombs, Box 114, Simcoe, Ont.

100 diff Stamps

from 5 diff countries including Canadian Law stamps, United States Revenues, etc, 25c. Do you know I give a valuable stamp free to those sending for my approval sheets at 60 per cent.

J. H. Misner,

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Wholesale	Per 50.	100
Australian Mixture 20 to 30 var		
New iss New Zealand, etc.	.25	.40
Finland Asst.	.18	.30
Roumania asst	.18	.30
German Locals many var	.12	.20

Wanted. Can. & N'f'l'd. stamps in quantity
Send on approval with lowest price.
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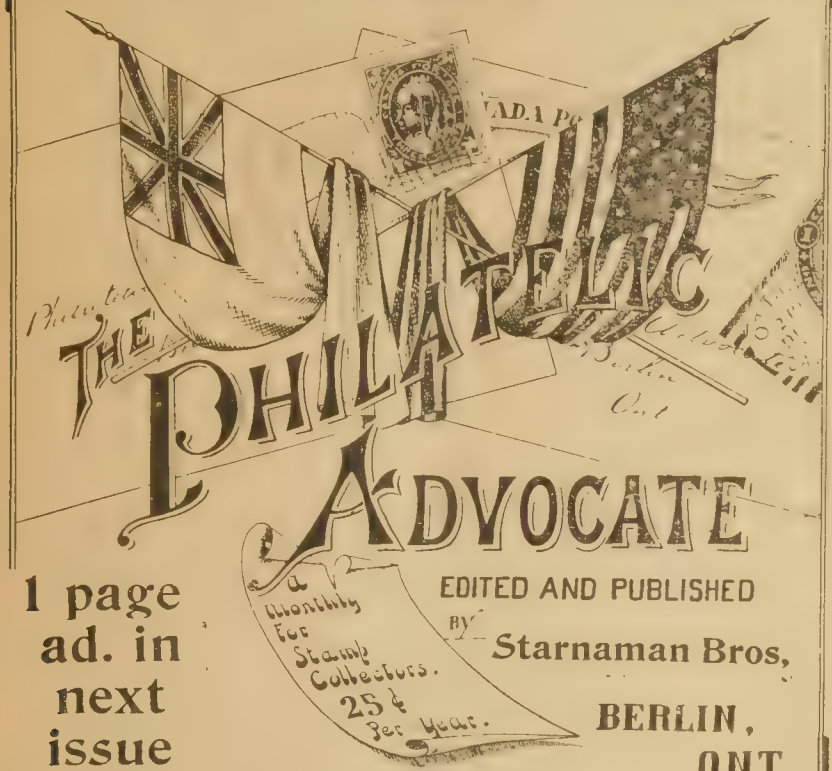

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An Interesting Error.

The $2 Value of the Third Issue of Canada Bill Stamps with Inverted Medallion.

BY R. R. RUFIDICUS.

Today the collecting of oddities is not in as much vogue as it was a decade ago, yet an oddity that is really interesting is to day regarded by many in as friendly a manner as was an oddity ten years ago. By this I mean that a stamp that in some way differs from all others printed from the same plate or die in some salient point enjoys mnch favor in the sight of true philatelists. The tendency of collectors to possess something that no one else can secure is very manifest to anyone having dealings with philatelists. It seems to be an inherent trait of the human race for each person, to, in some way, differ in habits from the rest of humanity, and in collecting this trait is carried even farther than in every day life. Some collectors take pleasure from the collecting of oddities and errors of all classes, and certainly a collection of this kind presents a very pleasing and interesting appearance. If a stamp that differs only in the lacking or the addition of some unimportant feature is worthy of collecting at all surely the real oddities, such as the stamp being printed in the wfong color or the inverting of the centre portion of the stamp, are worthy of rank as really collectable classes. These show misunderstanding of orders or carelessness on the part of the printers and are not accountable for by broken dies, worn plates, etc , but are the true oddities and and as such are well worthy of collection.

Chief among the class of inverted medallion varieties must necessarily come the revenues of the second, third and fourth issues of United States revenues. Various scribes have described and explained the issuance of these interesting issues in so thorough a manner that i twould be unwise for me to say anything respecting them. But there is another specimen of this inverting of the medallion that, owing to the lack of definite in formation regarding it known, is even more interesting than those varieties I have mentioned. I refer to the $2 value of the third issue of Canadian Bill stamps, than which to my mind, no more interesting stamp exists.

Very little definite knowledge is known regarding the number of such stamps issued, etc., but I will give a general view of how these stamps were issued to the public. This view may or may not be correct but as it is the generally accepted view of all collectors it is more than probably so.

These stamps were printed by the American Bank Note Co., New York, which company printed other classes of revenues as well as the Canadian Telegraph Franks. They were printed in two colors—red for frome and black for the medallion and it was necessary for the sheet to be run through the press twice, once for each

color. The sheet was first run through the press to receive the impression of not only the frame, as would be supposed, but also a small circular piece of red rolor, about one-sixteenth of an inch wide composed of fine vertical lines, running out side of, and inside of the usually seen red color, the white space left for the medallion. In the second run through the press the medallion in black was printed. She sheet was run through the first time and received the red color but when the sheet was fed to the press the second time it was fed upide down and in consequence the queen is standing on her head—a very ludicrous position for her Majesty.

This inverting of the medallion is not an unusual occurrence in a large printing house but the fact that such a sheet was allowed to get into circulation is indeed strange as they are usually promptly destroyed. For some reason, no doubt care. lessness on the part of the printers the sheets was allowed to get beyond the walls of the printing house, where every stamp was worth two dollars. Here it could not be so easily recalled and the sheet was broken and some specimens sold and undoubtly used, The date on which this sheet was issued is not known, and will probably never be but is thought to be some time after the stamps were first issued, 1869.

One writer has alleged that the sheet was the last one, used to fill a requisition from headquarters in the way. A demand was received and no other sheets being available several "cull" sheets were "run in" to help fill the order. Several sheets of poor impression etc., were used and this sheet with the inverted medallion was among those so utilized. Perhaps they thought it would make no difference—and in truth, little difference it seems to have made. Another variety for the collector, then almost undreamed of, was the only result.

Only one sheet could possibly have been used at the most, and the stamp is very rare especially in unused condition and is possessed by but few collectors. It is rarer than its catalogue price—$20 in used condition would indicate.

United States Minutes.

BY USONA.

The collectors of the world have come to the assistance of war-burdened Uncle Sam to such an extent that the issue of stamps sent by Captain Leary for use in Guam has been exhausted. The following U.S. stamps are now being over printed to supply the demand.

1	cent	green	$150	worth
2	"	red	$1500	"
3	"	purple	$150	"
4	"	brown	$200	"
5	"	blue	$750	"
6	"	magenta	$300	"
8	"	puce	$300	"
10	"	brown	$1000	"
15	"	green	$750	"
50	"	orange	$2000	"
10	"	special Del.	$500	"
$1		black	$3000	"

a total of $10,700, which, added to the $900 already sent there makes a total of 11,600 worth of stamps to be used by a population of 15,000 colored and illiterate (with the assistance of collectors). Rather an undignified way for a first class government to raise money: but then collectors are such "soft marks."

Money orders, the postoffice department has issued a circular announcing, cannot

now be issued here for payment in the Transvaal or Orange Free State.

The price of the Guam set has dropped to $1, and should the new stamps have the same surcharge a still further drop will come, but if a different variety of type is used—!—!!—!!!—

The newspaper and periodical stamps are still on sale at the postoffices here, but as they are all to be destroyed after December 31, collectors desiring sets had better hurry up. They are the sets containing the reprints of the high values.

Notes From England.

BY ANGLICANUS.

The stamp trade here is very dull for this time of the year. This is chiefly owing to reduction of prices in Gibbon's latest cataloguing.

A greater part of the east side of London Wall has been demolished to make room for a new block of buildings. This has had the effect of turning out no less than four stamp dealers, Messrs Alexander, Penny Bohn, and Williams.

There have been other changes; Mr Bannister removing from Moorsfields to Capthall Avenue. Mr. Zusler from St. Martin's Laue to Charing Cross Road, and Messrs Bright from Bournemouth to the Strand.

All London is greatly excited over the possibility of war between England and the Transvaal. Many far-sighted dealers are buying up the 2s, 6d, 5s and 10s. Transvaal values, which, at present are very cheap.

To take the place of the Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly, a new journal is now about to be issued. It will be called the Stamp Collector's Guardian and will have the well known Mr. Percy Bishop in the editorial chair. The first number is promised in October.

The Colonial Stamp Co. has removed their business from Toronto, to London England. I hear also that one of Canada's largest dealers will soon transfer his business to England.

At Messrs Ventom, Bull & Cooper's auction on Thursday and Friday, Sept. 28 and 29 amongst others the following prices were realized: Spain 1851, 2 reales unused £25.10. Tuscany 2 soldi, unused, £22; Tuscany, 3 lire yellow, £35 and £43,10. Black Guiana, 4c orange, first issue, £30; British Guiana 8c green, first issue, £25.7.6

Great Barrier Forgery.

"Quite a sensation was caused among the philatelists of this city when it came out that the 'Great Barrier Island Pigeon Post' stamps (?), with which the country has been flooded, had been printed, perforated and cancelled in this city. Although there has always been a strong suspicion that these stamps were not 'all right' it was hardly thought that they were being manufactured in this city.

The whole scheme was worked by the manager of the late Dominion Stamp Co., who is now on his way to South Africa with the Canadian Volunteers

But this is not all, as it is said that in the same box in which the stock of Pigeon Post stamps were found, there were several hundred counterfeit 3 penny Canada which were evidently awaiting the cancelling stamp."—Montreal Notes in *Weekly Era.*

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Address all communications to,

STARNAMAN BROS.,
Box 104, Berlin, Ontario, Canada.

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Copy for next issue

MUST reach us not later than December 25th. Ads. received earliest get the best position. No attention given to ads. unless accompanied by cash.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Our Holiday Number. Through an error in last issue we announced that our Holiday Number would be issued January 15th 1899. This should have read January 15th 1900. This error did not interfere with those who wanted space in the special issue, as we have already received a large amount of advertising. We have placed the rates as low as possible for the circulation (5000). See ad. on page 89. We accept unused U. S. or Canada stamps up to 5c values, at face, for any amount but *cannot accept Revenue stamps.* This issue is necessarily very small in order to gain time for the big issue.

The Philatelic Club of Toronto elected the following officers for the ensuing year. Pres. G. E. Davenport, Vice Pres. E. A. Corker, Secy. E. B. MacGillivray 47 Elizabeth St., Treas. A. Rene, Auc. Mgr. C. A. Crane, Librarian C. F. Mount. For information address the Secy.

We have often been requested to publish certain parties as frauds. Whenever any of our subscribers, are reported to us as frauds, we write them for an explanation. Last month we inserted the name of Mr. E. A. Sinclair of Coldwater, Ont. Owing to Mr. Sinclair's absence, his reply to our letter was delayed. He has explained the matter to our satisfaction and we are convinced that his name should not have been inserted as a fraud.

The Manager of the stamp department of the *Montreal Herald* still thinks that Montreal is the greatest philatelic spot on the map. When Montreal can show a stamp paper that issued forty numbers without missing a month or doubling numbers, it may be entitled to a more import-

ant place in philately. It is amusing to read an item in the *Herald* saying that collectors wonder who Mr. Chapman is. The writer says Mr. Chapman writes for about fifty papers. It is strange that collectors should wonder who a man is, if he writes for so many papers; the true fact is that Mr. Chapman does not write for more than six papers.

Toronto or Berlin is far ahead of Montreal philatelically.

At a convention of Postmasters held at Washington, D. C. recently, resolutions were unanimously passed urging the adoption of a limited postal note, of the size, form and text used in Great Britain and Canada, to be issued for a fee of 1 cent without war tax, denomination not to exceed $2.00

We have received price list No. 7, from F. Massoth & Co., 204 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. It is the neatest price list we have received for some time. The prices are very reasonable and as this firm has been in business since 1885 they are reliable. The list is free. Mention ADVOCATE.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

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Count. Detector's Report.

Fellow Members:—

The only contribution this month for the counterfeit collection was made by Mr. Hew R. Wood.

One stamp was also examined, for another member.

Dont't be afraid of using this dept.

Yours fraternally,
FRED J. GARRATY.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

365. Sydney Mulhall, Liverpool, N. S.
366. Nelson S. Conquest; Cotswold, Ont.
367. C. E. A. Holmes, Montreal, Que.
368. Philip R. Lyster, Lisgar, Ont.
369. Mrs. T. E. Kelly, Neenah, Wis.
370. Objections filed.
371. Os. Hardwell, Pickering, Ont.
372. Robt. H. Platt, Phelpston, Ont.
373. Owen J. B. Yearsley, Little Britain, Mariposa Station, Ont.
374. Ralph B. Bartoo, St. Ansgar, Iowa.

The above will receive their membership cards on payment of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 31c.

APPLICATIONS.

Harry E. Davis, Upper Melbourne, Que. Age 17, Refs. Percy T. Coburn, Newlands Coburn.

Chas. A. Daly, 326 W. 44th St., N. Y. City. 20, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros George Ferrier.

Hiram Gough, Drawer 52, Nanaimo, B. C. 15. E. E. Gough, Geo W. Starnaman.

George A. Kirkup, Sturgeon Falls, Ont. 14, student. H. G. Thope, G. L. Cockburn.

J. J. Jackson, Bancroft, Ont. 47, merchant. R. H. Baker, Starnaman Bros.

Johan A. Aalberg, Madison, Wis. 18, Printer. C. Bailey, Jas. Wurtele.

C. Ernst Cross, Melbourne, Que. 17, student. P. T. Coburn, Newlands Coburn.

N. S. Moore, Naples, Ill. 25, stamp dealer and horticulturist. Starnaman Bros E. W. Raper.

Jas. Dunlop, Jr., Melbourne, Que. 17, clerk. P. T. Coburn, Mrs. Maude Pye.

J. L. Williams, Drawer 13, Three Rivers Que. 19, Drug Apprentice. W. A. Starnaman, Geo. W. Starnaman.

Wilfrid G. Pope, Upper Melbourne, Que 17, farmer. P. T. Coburn, N. Coburn.

F. N. Wood, Upper Melbourne, Que. 19, clerk. F. J. Garraty, Percy T. Coburn.

Henry Waters, Kingsbury, Que. 19, student. P. T. Coburn, Newlands Coburn.

J. W. A. de Vletter, Jonkerfranstraat, 30, Rotterdam, Holland. 27, clerk. Cecil Rawson, Geo. W. Starnaman.

R. L. Hamilton, Ithaca, Mich. 16, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros.

E. E. Elster, 96 Swan St., Buffalo, N. Y. 40, stamp dealer. Chas. F. Robinson, D. F. Miller.

W. I. Skill, 59 Frederic St., Toronto, Ont. 17, apprentice. Chas. Bailey, Wm. Meyers.

H. R. Sanders, Chapleau, Ont. 29, C. P. R. Storekeeper. Geo. W. Starnaman, T.J. Mulligan.

C H. Tywang, 39 Henry St., Port of Spain, Trinidad, B. W. I. 20, Pharmaceutical student. Starnaman Bros. A. Soublette & Co.,

J. W. Adams, Jr., 233 W. State St., Mason City, Iowa. 15, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros, Anna Summerfield.

W. A. McDonnell, Stobie Mine, Sudbury, Ont. 23, office clerk. Starnaman Bros, Dan McNaughton.

The above will be admitted to membership Dec. 15th provided no objection is filed with the Secretary before that date.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

O. J. Edwards, 3443 Sydenham St. Phila.
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Sidney H. Barnes, Musselyork, Mo.
E. J. Gifford, 702 W. Ave. S., LaCrosse, Wis.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$29.45.
Received for dues, etc.....	6.74.
	36.19.
Paid Official Organ	2.69.
" postage..	1.24.
Stationery.....	.50.
Balance on hand.....	31.76.
	36.19.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

16th Auction Sale.

Dear members:—

I must be very brief;—Have twice as many lots as there is room for but can easily use twice as many bids as I got last sale.

Bids must be in by the 18th; Rules free 59th Cat. Rules. *unused

Lot No.		Reserve
1.	Canada 6p purple black 1852	$2.00
2.	" 1c 1869 (no. 31)	
5.	" 4 *2c Registers	.25
6.	" 2 *15c Gray lilac	.40
7.	" 2 *6c Jubilee (fine)	.70
13.	Great Britain 1p black	
14.	606 Good foreign mounted on app.	3.00
15.	20 *2c Registers	2.00
16.	12 U. S. War Dept. env. ent. six	.35
18.	30c, 50c Columbian 50c Omaha new	1.48
20.	25 Var. German Rev.	.12
22.	20 Austria "	.15
23.	50 Mexican "	.50
26.	3700 U.S. Columbian 2c (soaked)	
27.	43 Ass. env. & p. c. cut sq.	
33.	5 sets U.S. Doc. Rev. 10 var.	
34.	1500 asst " " " 4 "	
35.	250 " " Prop " (few dam)	
36.	½ to 4c " " 10 var.	
39.	2000 Columbians	
41.	set 3 var, Bosnia	
43.	Set 1899 *Cuba 4 var.	.16
44.	100 U. S. Int Rev. 5th issue.	
45.	100 " Doc. 4c 1898.	
47.	100 diff. stamp papers.	
48.	100 each Can. '99, 1c, 2c purp 2c red.	
49.	100 ass. 4 leaf 1, 2, 3c.	
50.	50 maps and surcharges asst,	
51.	2 Gibraltar *½p	10
52.	50 British Colonies in app book	19
53.	12 U. S. Envelopes ent, new, face 55c.	
54.	500 Barbados 5 var, ass.	
55.	85—5c Argentine,	.20
56.	15—½p Malta	
57.	85 Mixed Mexico	
58.	25 Australia	15
59.	3 Canada 1c letter cards	
60.	75 reprints 11 var.	
61.	417 assorted Foreign mounted	2.00
62.	75 diff stamp magazines	.35
63.	22 var Canadian Revenues	
64.	About 1000 Foreign	.20

R. S. MASON, Hamilton, Canada.

Cheapest in the World.

Every stamp collector should send for our new 30 page price list, it is without doubt the largest ever printed in Canada, and full of the greatest bargains ever offered collectors. Send us your address and we will send it postpaid.

This Grand Packet Still Leads.

100 Fine stamps, 500 Atlas Stamp Hinges 10 blank app. sheets and 1 first issue Can. All for 25c in silver and 2c for postage.

Packet contains many fine stamps including Jubilee issues of New Zealand, New So. Wales, Canada map stamps, Natal, Transvaal, Newfeundland, Gibraltar, Orange Free State, Ceylon, Bulgaria, etc., Packet alone will cat $2.00. Think of it! all the above and our new list only 25c. Money refunded if not satisfactory.

AGENTS WANTED.

Atlas Stamp & Pub Co., London, Ont.

Watch For

My Big Sale.

Next Month

If You Want Canadian Stamps.

If you are interested in this sale, and are not a subscriber to this paper let me know and I will mail you a copy of the paper containing the sale.

MARY E. BISH,
WATERLOO, ONT.

STAMPS. Album and List free. Agents 50 per cent. 100 Cuba, etc., 5c.
HILL STAMP CO.,
BOX B8, S END, BOSTON, MASS

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5000 Circulation.

Following our usual custom we will issue a Special Holiday Number on Jan'y 15th

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Every subscriber and D. P. A. member will receive one copy. Extra copies 5c each or 6 for 25c until issued; then price is 10c ea.

Cash must accompany copy

No attention will be given to ads not accompanied by cash.

All copy must be in before Dec 25th 1899.

Unused U. S and Can. stamps 1c to 5c taken at face value.

STARNAMAN BROS
Berlin, Ont., Canada.

The Collectors Weekly.

If you wish to receive all that you pay for—and good value at that—why you should place your subscription with the Era. When you take a weekly stamp paper: you certainly cannot afford to collect stamps without it.

SEND FOR FREE SAMPLES.

THE WEEKLY PHILATELIC ERA,

502-506 Congress St., Portland, Me.

For 30 Days Only

I shall give 100 diff stamps free with every purchase of 50c from my approval sheets at 50% com. I have just placed a large collection on approval sheets and will give first buyers the best bargains. Send ref. and stamp for sheets. Scott's 59th Cat. 58c postfree. A. A Van Wie, Shenectady, N Y

10c Packet. 50 Stamps.

Canadian, U. S. A., European, Canadian Bill stamps, map, maple leaf, numerals, etc.

Also will exchange cactus or other plants for stamps or coins.

LUCIA T. FALCONER,
BOX 114, SHELBURNE, ONT.

Uwantum! what?

Why, a selection of my net approval books. They are fine. Also a packet of 20 foreign stamps cataloguing 75c price 10c.

Geo. E. Bramble,
Sandwich, Illinois.

Again We Offer U. S. War Revenues 1898

½c to 1 dollar, 10 var., good copies price per set **10 cents** post free. $3.00 revenues at 8c each.

Central Stamp Co., Indianapolis, Indiana.

3 mos. sub to this paper free to purchasers

Missionary Stamps.

1000	Mixed from 30 countries	.25
1000	Mexico, well assorted 15 var	1.50
1000	" Revs well asst. 25 var.	4.00
1000	India " " 10 "	1.50
1000	Japan " " 10 "	1.00
1000	Cent. America and Mex. 25 var.	3.00

500 Same Rate.

43 G. C. Rheinfrank, 709 Ferry St, La Crosse, Wis,

A Great Prize Contest is Now Running In The Stamp Tribune.

Have you heard of it? If not send at once for FREE particulars and sample copy. S. P. LEV, Publisher, 41
324 Prospect St., Cleveland, Ohio.

We Mail Your Circulars With Ours For 10c per 100.

Starnaman Bros,
Berlin, Ont.

Argentine	Set of 2	All for 1 cent & 2c postage.
German Locals	" " 3	
Sardinia	" " 3	
Denmark	" " 3	

Send names of 2 collectors in your town with order. Only one to each buyer.
Acme Stamp Co., Dorchester, Wis.

Fall Bargains.

The Colonial Stamp Co., formerly of Toronto, Canada having removed their business to London, England, take this opportunity of notifying their customers and can offer.

British North Borneo	9 var.	.20
Bolivia 1894	5 "	.10
Brazil 1894 10r to 300r		.12
Bulgaria 1889	8 "	.12
Costa Rica 1889	6 "	.10
Dutch Indies	9 "	.12
Guatemala 3 var surcharged cat 30c		.14
Labuan 4 var cat 35c		.18
Malta 6 var complete		.25

Postage extra. Write. Colonial Stamp Co.
243 Camberwell New Rd. London S E. Eng

I Don't

Want to Boer you

but I have a few lots for small dealers.

100 mixed U. S. including old issues, dues, Special Delivery, Columbian, Omahas, guaranteed to cat over $2.00	40c
100 mixed Portugal about 8 var.	20c
15 cut square U. S. envelopes including Die A '99	6c

Sheets and books on approval, post. extra.
J D Hubel, 1265 Trumbull Ave, Detroit, Mich.

We make a specialty of sheets at 50 . Try them, they are corkers. Sydney Stamp Co., Sydney, C. B.

Breaking up my collection. Many dandies way below value. Sets, packets, etc. Particulars for stamp. Dealers please send wholesale lists. Ed Stephenson, Orillia, Ont.

Hub., a very fine packet of 25 stamps, no two alike for 5c, 50 var. old U. S. stamps 5c. Approval sheets at 20% com. G. H. Kimmel, 627 Harrison Ave., Boston, Mass.

Exchange desired. 2000 varieties to select from. Send sheets and receive mine. Hiram E. Tuttle, Waterloo. Iowa.

Ads. on Bargain Page next issue for half cent a word.

CANADA

Jubilee. Unused.		Maple Leaf. Unused.	
½c for	20c.	Set ½c to 10c	.50
10 1c	15c.	**Numerals.**	
25—1c	35c.	Set ½c to 10c	.45
10 -2c	30c.	6c for	.08
20 -2c	55c.	8c "	.10
10 -3c	40c.	10c "	.12
25 3c	95c.	10—2c map	.30
10—5c	70c.	25—2c map	.70
25—5c	$1.75.	25 sur. numeral	.65
6c for	40c.	25 sur maple leaf	.70
8c "	13c.	50 sur maple leaf	1.40
10c for	15c.	100 " " "	2.75
20c for	30c.	Orders under 25c, 2c	
50c for	70c.	extra for postage.	

SPecial. Used.

100 Canadian guaranteed 16 diff only	.05
100 all kinds guaranteed 30 diff only	.05
25 Can postcards 5 diff	.10

5—5c beaver 15c.
10—2c Reg 20c.
25—2c " 50c.
20—5c " 20c.
50—5c " 50c.

Postage 2c extra on orders under 25c.

Fred B. Filsinger, Box 470, Waterloo, Ont

Holiday Bargains

Canada	100 1c Figures	,05
"	100 2c purple Figures	.05
"	500 2c purple figures	.22
"	100 2c red figures	.06
"	500 same	.25
"	50 5c 4 leaf	.45
"	50 1c Jubilee	.35
"	50 3c Jubilee	.14
"	50 map stamps shades	.30
"	50 1c 4 leafs	.12
"	100 Foreign assorted	.04
U. S.	1890 2c good per 1000	.30
"	1890 1c blue 100	.05
"	1893 2c Columbians 100	.05
"	1995 Env cut [] per 100, shades	.05
"	18 2-87 2c 2 shades 100	.05
App Bool s hold 120 stamps per doz		.10

Orders under 25c postage extra.

The above 17 lots for only $2.30. We have other stamps for sale. We buy stamps too. Address.

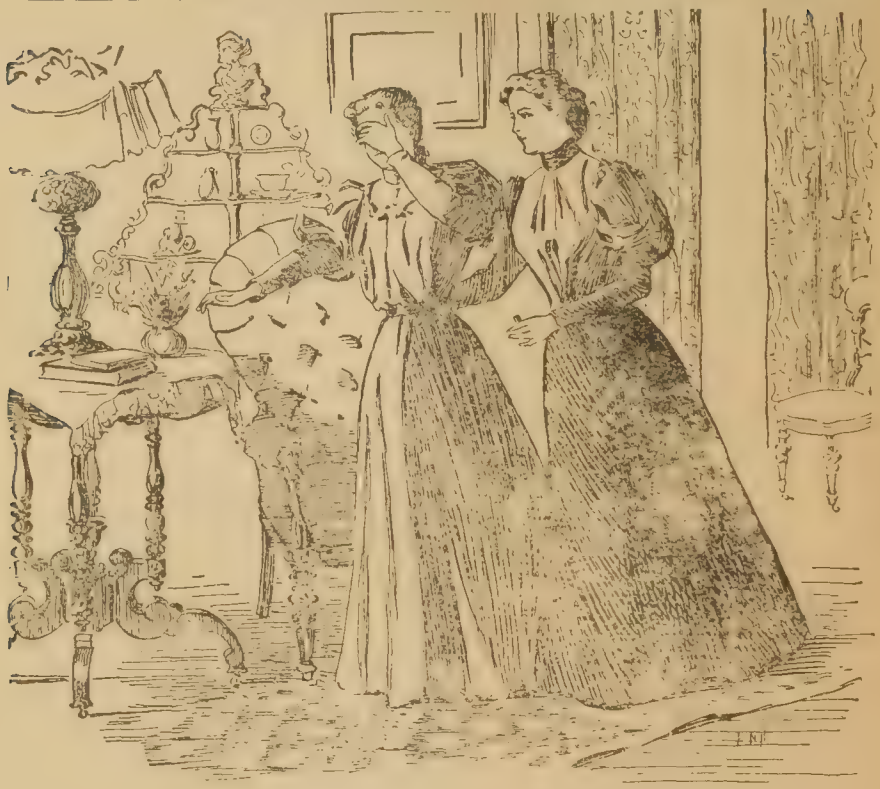
IRWIN & IRWIN.
St. Catharines, Ont.

Bargains in British Colonials.

Barbados,	1892, *1-2d green	1½c
"	1892, *1d carmine	2½c
"	1885, 2½d blue	1c
Br. Guiana	1891, 5c ult.	½c
" Honduras	1892 *1c on 1d green	2½c
"	1891, *2c rose	2½c
Fiji	1892, *1-2d grey	1½c
Gold Coast	1891, 2½d blue and or.	1c
Labuan	1894, *2c rose	3c
Mauritius	1893, *1c violet	1½c
"	1891, *1c on 2c violet	2½c
Queensland	1891, *1-2d green	2c
St. Lucia	1883, *1-2d green die A	2c
St. Vincent	1888, *1-2d green	1½c
Seychelles	1892, *3c on 4c c and r	3½c
Straits Set.	1892, *1c on 8c green	1½c
Tasmania	1892, *1-2d or and mauve	1½c
Trinidad	1883, 2 1-2d blue	1c
"	1883, 4d slate	2c

* means unused. Postage 2c extra.
Approval sheets for commercial reference.

A. R. Butler,
8 & E. Sts. N. W,, Washington, D. C.



SHE WAS BLIND.

A blindness comes to me now and then. I have it now. It is queer—I can see your eyes but not your nose. I can't read because some of the letters are blurred; dark spots cover them; it is very uncomfortable.

I know all about it; it's DYSPEPSIA. Take one of these; it will cure you in ten minutes.

What is it?

A Ripans Tabule.

WANTED.—A case of bad health that R·I·P·A·N·S will not benefit. They banish pain and prolong life. One gives relief. Note the word R·I·P·A·N·S on the package and accept no substitute. R·I·P·A·N·S, 10 for 5 cents or twelve packets for 48 cents, may be had at any drug store. Ten samples and one thousand testimonials will be mailed to any address for 5 cents, forwarded to the Ripans Chemical Co., No. 10 Spruce St., New York.

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A monthly for stamp Collectors 25 Cents per year.

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JANUARY, 1900

STARNAMAN BROTHERS,
EDITORS & PUBLISHERS,
BOX 104, BERLIN, ONT.

The ADHESIVE.

A New Philatelic Monthly.

Nine good writers employed regularly.
Others will have occasional articles.

Subscription.

The Adhesive (with 30 word notice)	30c
The Adhesive (with above and premium stamp postpaid	32c
The Adhesive and Scott's 59th with 30 word notice and premium stamp all postpaid	70c

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Adhesive and Philatelic Advocate	30c
Both Journals and Catalogue	75c
Adhesive and either Virginia Philatelist, New York Philatelist, or Herald Exchange	35c

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One inch 40c. 2 inches 75c. Half column $1.20.
Column $2.00. One page $3.50.

Premium Stamps.

Every fifth subscriber, ½c Jubilee of Canada, every tenth subscriber ½c Jubilee and 2c Xmas, all others, the Xmas.

HENRY A. CHAPMAN,

Box 72, ROCKY HILL, CONN.

OUR PREMIUM LIST.

Send us 25c and we will give you this paper one year, a 20 word adv. on the Bargain Page and your choice of any one of the following

FINE PREMIUMS

Order by number.

No. 1. 18 Japanese stamps and 3 post cards mounted in a finely colored album made of rice paper, 12 blank Approval Sheets, PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year and a 20 word ad, on Bargain Page.

No. 2. 8c unused Canada Jubilee.

No. 3. One 5, 6 or 8c, Canada, (maple leaf) used or unused.

No. 4. 2000 PERFECT hinges.

No. 5. 50 Can. four maple leaf 3c used.

No. 6. 100 stamps ALL DIFFERENT.

No. 7. Half inch adv. in this paper.

No. 8. 50 Envelopes with your name and address printed on.

No. 9. 50 blank Approval Sheets and Handsome enlarged fac simile in colors, of the Imperial Penny Postage stamp, size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 7$ inches, and short History of Canadian stamps.

No 11 200 gummed labels with your name and address on.

No 12 25 Can. s'rcharg'd 2c on 3c figures.

No 13 10 " " 2c on 3c maple leaf

Scott's 59th Catalogue and a year's subscription to this paper for 60c.

All former offers are hereby cancelled.

☞Renewals are entitled to premiums the same as new subscribers.

STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONTARIO, CAN.

Premium No. 1.

A collection of 18 Japanese stamps and 3 postcards in a fine album.
12 blank Approval Sheets.
PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year.
20 word adv. on Bargain Page.

All for 25c postfree.

5 of the above premiums sent to 5 different addresses or all to the same address for $1.00.

Starnaman Bros.,
BERLIN, ‡ ‡ ‡ ONT.

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THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year.
2000 Perfect Hinges (Best in the world).
20 word adv. on Bargain page.

All for 25 cents.

STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONT.

Scott's 59th CATALOGUE,

giving date, color and value of every stamp issued, with illustration of nearly every stamp, and

This paper one year for

60 cents.

STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONT.

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THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE one year.
50 blank Approval Sheets.
Enlarged fac-simile of the 2c map stamp.
20 word ad on Bargain Page.

All for 25c postfree. 5 lots for $1,

STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONT.

Special Canadian Offers.

My first advertisement was a decided success and I have made prices in this ad so that it will also be successful.

1.	25	1c Jubilees unused	.40
2.	50	1c " "	.75
3.	100	1c " "	1.45
4.	25	2c " "	.75
5.	25	3c " "	1.00
6.	50	3c " "	1.90
7.	25	5c " "	1.75
8.	1	6c slightly creased	.30
9.	1	½c Jubilee unused	.25
10.	2	8c " "	.25
11.	1	8c " "	.14
12.	1	10c " "	.15
13.	1	15c " "	.20
14.	1	20c	.27
15.	50	1c " used	.60
16.	25	1c " "	.30
17.	50	3c " "	.30
18.	100	3c " "	.60
19.	7	1-2-3-5-8-10-50c Jub used	.70
20.	1	50c Jubilee used	.30
21.	1	$1.00 " "	.75
22.	1	2.00 " "	1.25
23.	1	3.00 " "	2.00
24.	1	4.00 " "	2.50
25.	1	5.00 " "	3.25
26.	8	Set Maple Leaf unused	50
27.	50	½c " " "	.60
28.	4	10c " " "	.60
29.	8	Set of " " used	.20
30.	100	1c " " "	.12
31.	100	3c " " "	.08
32.	25	2c " " "	.08
33.	8	Set Numerals unused	.40
34.	8	" " used	.12
35.	100	1c " "	.05
36.	100	2c red " "	.05
37.	100	2c pur " "	.05
38.	50	3c " "	.05
39.	10	6c " unused	.80
40.	5	8c " "	.50
41.	100	2c Map "	2.50
42.	1	5c Registration unused	.10
43.	10	½c 1882-90 "	.15
44.	6	Set 1882-90(½ to 10) used	.07
45.	300	1c " used	.15
46.	500	3c " "	.25
47.	100	8c " "	.50
48.	1	15c 1875 unused	.25
49.	1	20c 1892 "	.28
50.	1	10c 1882 "	.15
51.	3	15, 20, 10c as above used	.18
52.	100	2c Reg. orange used	1.00
53.	100	5c " blue "	1.00
54.	100	Canadian mixed	.05
55.	100	Foreign well mixed	.05
56.		Set of Doc ½c to 50	.10
57.	10	Can wrap 1c blk unused	.20
58.	100	Can post cards used	.50
59.	10	" " " unused	.15
60.	10	Jubilee post cards "	.20

Postage extra on orders of 25c and less 2c.

Fred B. Filsinger
Box 360
Waterloo, Ont.

First Auction Sale.

1.	50	1c Jubilee unused	
2.	100	1c	
3.	50	3c	
4.	1	6c " " slight crease	
5.	4	8c " "	
6.	1	10c " "	
7.	1	15c " "	
8.	1	20c " "	
9.	50	1c " used	
10.	100	3c	
11.	7	set 1-2-3-5-8-10-50 Jub. used	
12.	1	50c Jubilee used	
13.	1	$1 " "	
14.	1	$2 " "	
15.	1	$3 " "	
16.	1	$4 "	
17.	1	$5 " "	
18.	8	Set Maple Leaf unused	
19.	4	10c " " "	
20.	50	1c " " "	
21.	8	Set " " used	

22. 100 1c maple leaf used
23. 100 3c " " "
24. 25 2c " " "
25. 8 Set Numeral unused
26. 8 " " used
27. 100 1c " "
28. 100 2c red " "
29. 100 2c pur " "
30. 50 [illegible]
31. 10 6c " unused
32. 5 8c " "
33. 100 2c map "
34. 1 5c register "
35. 10 ½c 1882-90 "
36. 6 Set " used
37. 300 1c " "
38. 500 3c " "
39. 100 8c " "
40. 1 15c 1875 unused
41. 1 20c 1892 "
42. 1 10c 1882 "
43. 100 2c Reg orange used
44. 100 5c " green "
45. 100 Canadian well mixed
46. 100 Foreign " "
47. 9 Set doc ½ to 50
48. 10 Can wrap 1c blk unused
49. 7 2 2c let card, 5 2c env.
50. 10 Can postcards unused
51. 10 U. S. postcards mixed
52. 10 Jubilee " unused
53. 20 present " used
54. 100 1872 Can postcards blue
55. 200 " " " "
56. 500 " " " "
57. 200 1882-85 Can " "
58. 50 1887-95 " " "
59. 5 present " " "
60. 50 1887 " " "
61. 100 1885 " " "
62. 10 used Jub " " "

Unused Canadian reserved at 20% above face. Postage on postcards ½. Auction Sale closes Feb 15. Postage on bids of 25c or less, if accepted 2c extra.

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300 different foreign		.70.
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12c Per Lot.

100 well mixed stamps	4c
100 "Perfect" hinges	2c
10 Packet envelopes	5c
5 Blank app sheets	5c
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Lot No.		Description.		
1.	10	Canada 2c Map lav.	unused	o. g.
2.	10	" 2c " green	"	"
3.	10	" 3c surch 2c leaf	"	"
4.	10	" 3c " 2c num	"	"
5.	10	" ½c maple leaf	"	"
6.	10 sets	Travancore 2 var. used		
7.	10	" Luxemburg 7	"	"
8.	10	" Cuba 7	"	"
10.	10	" Sweden Off 6	"	"
11.	10	" Chili 5	"	"
12.	10	Norway 6	"	"
13.	10	" Greece 7	"	"
14.	10	" Sweden 13	"	"
15.	10	" Sweden 30	"	"
16.	10	Switzerland 8		

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Fourth Auction Sale.

Bid Lively.

Lot.		No in lot
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2.	'99 8 sets 1 to 10	
3.	'95 12 " 1 to 10	
4.	11 " 1 to 10 Omahas	
5.	Col. 2c	900
6.	" 1c	650
7.	Omaha 2c	1900
8.	'95 dues 37—1c, 131—2c 4-5c 9-10c	181
9.	'99 Sur I. R. 173—1c 92—2c	265
10.	Omahas 200-1c, 176-2c, 39-4c 26-5c 44—8c, 18—10c	497
11.	'90 12—1c, 79—2c, 6—3, 17—4c 44—5c, 6—8c, 21—10c	184
12.	'95 73—1c, 44—2c, 165—3c, 90—4c 26-5c, 95-6c, 38-8c, 94-10c, 5-15c	630
13.	'98 151—1c, 205—2c, 335—4c. 210-5c, 76-6c, 125-10c, 25-15c	1127
14.	'87-99 1 to 4c cut [] incl Die A, all var of paper	1000
15.	Officially sealed	9
16.	'94 95 Special Del	63
17.	'95 8c U. S.	175
18.	Old Rev. 15 var 1 to 1.00	369
19.	'99 Sur I. R. small dot between I. R. 7—1c, 5—2c	12
20.	Foreign cat. $5.62	8
21.	'99 Prop Rev 109-⅛c, 20-¼c, 2-⅜c 29-⅝c, 4-1c, 25-1¼c, 4-2c, 14-2½c 14—4c	221
22.	'99 Doc Rev. 175—1c, 250—2c 45-3c, 54-4c, 97 5c 128-10c, 13-25c 1—40c, 7—50c, 4—$1.00	724
23.	Col. 106—1c, 19—2c, 2—3c, 23-4c 13—5c, 6—8c, 4—10c	176
24.	U. S. & For unused Cat 10.30	263
25.	Foreign cat about $13.50	500
26.	Can Rev. cat $4.38 60 var,	110
27.	Can Num. 6.½c, 52.1c, 119-2c 66-3c 2-5c, M. L. 3-½c, 8-1c, 7-2c, 8-3c 15-5c, 2c on 3-3, maps shades 24	310
28.	'99 2c doc rev.	3600
29.	'99 4c doc rev.	7400
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Hawaii 1894 " 10c		.13
" " " 25c		.35
Hayti 1893 used 1c		.02
" " " 2c		.02
" " " 5c		.02
" 1896 " 2c		.02
" " " 3c		.03
" " " 5c		.02
Mauritius 1891 " 2c on 17c		1.00
Seychelles unused 3-8-10-15-16c set		.35
Br. S. Africa " ½-1-2-6 and 1sh set		.60
Paraguay 1892 used 1p		.30
Netherlands 1891 used N. G. 50c		.40
St. Vincent 1883 unused 5sh.		1.60
U. S. 1851 strip of 3 used 1c		.45
" 1869 1c unused (Perf 3 sides)		.50
" 1869 90c used		11.00
" 1893 Cols. $1 unused		2.40
" 1898 Omaha $1 used		.75
" P. O. Dept. 1c unused		.20
" " " 6c "		.10
" " " 90c "		1.10
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10. 30 Mexico, Jamaica etc. .25
11. 35 France, Spain Turkey etc .25
12. 30 Cuba, Porto Rico, etc. .25
13. Siam, Servia, etc .25
14. 40 Honduras, Salvador, etc. .50
15. 50 Barbados, St. Vincent, etc. .50
16. 30 B. Honduras, etc. .50
17. 30 Canadian, used and unused .50
18. 25 Mauritius, etc .50
19. 50 Russia, Turkey, etc. .30
20 50 Japan, Sweden Off unused Switzerland, etc. .30
21. 13 Canadian Revenues .15

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*2c green " '95 " .05
*2c red " '99 " .05
*10c Special Delivery .13
10c " " used .08
*2c on 3c Numeral .04
*2c on 3c M. L. .04
*2c Red .04
*½c blk '82 .03
*5c blue .07
*2c Imperial blue .04
*2c " Lavender .05
*½c blk. '82 .02
*½c blk M. L. .01
*20c vermillion '92 .28
*50c blue " .65
*15c '77-92 .30
*2 on 5 British Guiana .05
*1 Set U. S. A. 1c envelopes 5 var .10
*1 " " 2c " 5 " .27
*1 " " 4c " 2 " .13
*1 " " 5c " 2 " .15
*2c " " Die A white .06
½d Gr. Britain red '70 .03
1d " " '80 .02
1d " " " 15 for .20
2½d " '76 .06
2½d " '80 .07
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100 Russian .30
*24c Newfoundland '66 .35
*3c " '96 .15

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" 3p laid .75
" 3p perforated 1.45
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" 3c '68 laid 2.00
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" 2c verm. reg unused .22
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" ½c to 10c figures .14
" ½c to 10c 4 leaves .20
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" 2c on 3c envelope .06
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" Royal set unused ½, 1, 2, 3, 5 .17
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" " 6c .90
" Postoffice 90c unused 1.50
" 1869 15c 1.25
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Canada " 5 " .10
" " ½c .18
U. S. stamps illustrated, 20 different plates at 10c plate
Sierra Leone unused 1p, 3p, 6p, 1sh..... .60
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Eng hinges in box large 1000 .25
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100 Foreign stamps .10
1000 " Mixed .30

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A Bird's Eye View of the Postal Service of the United States

During the past fiscal year.

BY ARTHUR R. BUTLER.

It is difficult to appreciate the amount of work done by the United States Post-office Department by the perusal of a magazine article. The figures are so colossal and all statistics are on so large a scale. The machinery which renders effective the affixing of a two cent stamp to a letter in New York and its deposit in a box to convey news, good or bad, to a miner in the Klondyke or to a soldier in the Philippines keeps 120,000 persons in direct employment, and about 20,000 others who help to absorb the $102,000,000 which are annually expended by Uncle Sam for this service. And yet this machinery, the working of which is arranged in the department at Washington, is relatively simple; and the new and perplexing problems which, especially since the Spanish-American war, are continually arising are handled with but little friction or delay, at least delays which are apparent to the public, though often the lights in the department building burn till midnight and the position of the government clerk ceases to be a sinecure. Most of the chiefs and officials in Washington have risen from the ranks and have had practical experience of the work on which they are engaged.

There are two main branches, the post-office service, which receives the great bulk of the mails and makes the final distribution, the fixed branch; and the railway mail service with its various adjuncts (steamboat, star service etc.) which transports the mails from one place to another.

The first branch is in charge of 75,000 postmasters at as many offices. The offices are classified as first, of which there are 176, second, 789. third, 3,028 in number and fourth, 71,007. They are also divided into Presidential and Non-presidential. A Presidential office is where the postmaster's salary amounts to not less tha $250 per quarter for four consecutive quarters, and the gross receipts for the same time amount to $1,900. When any office has paid the above amount for four consecutive quarters and the gross receipts amount to $1,900 or more, it is then advanced to the Presidential class.

Presidential offices cover three of the classes, first, second and third. A first class office is one in which the gross - ceipts are over $40,000 per annum, the salary of the postmaster of the same being from $3,000 to $6,000. A second class office is one where the gross receipts amount to $8000 and not exceeding $40,000 per annum, the salary of postmasters of this class being from $2000 to $2900 per annum. A third class office is one where the gross receipts are $1900 and not exceeding $800 per annum, the postmaster getting from $1000 to $1900 per annum.

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8 var entire U. S. envelopes, including the Columbian issue .15
10 Good Philatelic Papers .18
25 Sweden officials, 3 var. .20
100 Canadian Stamps mixed .20
100 Cape of Good Hope .24
100 U. S. 2c Columbian Issue .20
100 Jamaica .36
100 U. S. .10
100 U. S. Revenues mixed .20
100 Chili assorted .40
100 Cuba " .50
100 Greece " .50
100 Luxemburg assorted .50
100 Victoria, 2 var assorted .24
100 So. Australia, 2 var assorted .24
100 Denmark, assorted no 4 or 8ore .30
100 Netherlands " .15
100 India " .22
100 Sweden " .30
100 Switzerland " .15
100 names and addresses of cash-buying stamp collectors .20

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Reference Starnaman Bros., Berlin. Ont.

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3. 4 var entire unused envelopes from Egypt, Peru and Tunis.
4. Complete File of "The Pet Philatelist" 4 nos. 50 pp. (rare).
5. 10 Complete Files of above.
6. 8 entire English ½d envelopes cat 3c ea.
7. 8 var. entire Canada postcards.
8. 8 " " " "
9. 12 " " " "
10. A beautiful collection of over 700 var. U. S. postmarks. These are nearly all from smaller towns and include some very rare specimens.
11. 125 var postmarks Canadian only.
12. 64 very old postmarks nearly all Can. dating from 1855-75. A rare lot.
13. 370 mixed postmarks, Canadian U. S. and Foreign.
14. 270 Canada 1c green numerals.
15. 168 " 2c red "
16. 200 " 2c purple "
17. 25 Imperial map stamps.
18. 10 entire Canada post cards, 1st issue.
19. 25 diff. covered philatelic papers.
20. 500 U. S. 2c Columbian.
21. 100 U. S. 1c "
22. 80 U. S. 1894-95, 3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 16 of each.
23. 100 Chili, assorted.
24. 100 Cuba "
25. 100 Italy "
26. 100 Luxemburg assorted
27. 100 Netherlands "
28. 100 India "
29. 100 Russia "
30. 100 Sweden "
31. 100 Switzerland "
32. Canada, 1868 6c brown unused, cat. $2.00; damaged, but very slight trace of it on face.

Successful bidders will be notified.

ELI S. MOYER, BERLIN, ONT.

The non-presidential or fourth class offices comprise all offices where the receipts are less than $1,900 per annum, or where the salary of the postmaster does not amount to $250 per quarter for four consecutive quarters. The salaries in these offices may be anywhere from 10 cents per annum up to the maximum of under $1000.

Presidential postmasters are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. Fourth class postmasters are appointed by the Postmaster-General. The total salaries of all postmasters are about $17,000,000 per annum.

There are 14,845 clerks emyloyed in first and second class offices and an allowance of $50,000 is made to provide necessary clerical help in offices of the third and fourth class, though in these offices the postmaster and assistant postmaster are often expected to do all the work without assistance, and are sometimes overworked in consequence.

In the 735 offices where the free delivery system is in operation there are 15,216 letter carriers, and the laborers, porters, 2000 special delivery messengers and miscellaneous employees make up a total of about 110,000 persons in the postoffices. All the carriers, and practically all the clerks in first and second class offices, are appointed through competitive examination under the provisions of the civil service act of 1883. The other great branch of the postal service, which provides for the carrying of mails between offices, is the railway mail service, with its adjuncts. This system has a total length of 177,747 miles and employs 8460 clerks who receive and distribute mail in specially constructed cars as accurately in the flying train as in the postoffice. And the accuracy is marvelous, only one error to every 10,000 pieces distributed, and there are 75,000 offices in the U. S. alone to which a piece of mail may be addressed. This accuracy is only acquired by hard study, tested at frequent intervals by what are known as "case" examinations where a number of addressed cards are to be sorted in a given time, the correct distribution being afterwards checked and errors noted, and a clerk who frequently falls below 95% in his case examination is within hearing distance of serious trouble. The adjuncts of the railway mail service are the steamboat routes of which there are 178, covering 31,169 miles: towns and villages remote from lines of railroad or steamboats are supplied by what are known as "star routes" (from the fact that in all official statistics they are designated by a *). There are 22,482 of these routes covering 269,452; they are let to contractors, the lowest responsible bidder getting the route and the contractor often sub-lets them to others, so that the work is not done by a government employe in the strict sense of the word. Probably the longest of these star routes is the one from Valdez to Eagle and Circle City, Alaska, one round trip per month, $1415 per trip one way for the first 100 pounds of mail and $200 for each additional 100 pounds. There are also mail messenger routes for temporary purposes, until regular services can be provided.

Uncle Sam's share of the cost of transporting foreign mails was $1,653,000 for the last year. A number of contractors, temporary messengers and carriers on star routes make up the army of 140,000.

This is the machinery: and it costs money to run it. $95,021,384.17 was received during the past year and $101, 632,

War In The Transvaal

Has created an enormous demand
for all South African stamps.
For a limited time only I can offer

The Stamps You WANT,
At a WANTED Price.

Cape of Good Hope	5 varieties		5c.
Natal	3	"	5c.
Orange Free State	4	"	10c.
South African Rep	6	"	10c.

South African Rep. 1885, 1 shilling green, unused, full gum .40.

Cuba on U. S. complete set 1, 2, 2½, 3, 5 and 10c with Special Delivery 7 varieties..... .65.

Cuba, current complete 6 varieties with Special Delivery, both sets unused o. g..... .70

Puerto Rico last issue 9 varieties unused full gum .35

United States Periodical Stamps.

1 cent black 1885 full gum unused		.12
1 " " 1895 wmkd unused o. g.		.03
2 " " " " " "		.06
5 " " " " " "		.10

Cuban Money 2 var new 5 and 10c bills, very pretty .20

6d Black Canada imperforate a perfect copy of this rare stamp 3.75

Old Broken Bank bills, cheap stamps, medium stamps, rare stamps, and all kinds of stamps. Whether you want to buy, sell or exchange.

Why not write me?

New 1900 list just out. Yours for the Asking.

Samuel P. Hughes, Howe, Neb.

Established 1882.

160.92 expended, leaving a deficit of $6,610,776.75 to be paid by direct appropriation. That there is any deficit at all is due to the abuse of the privileges accorded to second class matter, which under the law is carried at 1c per pound, while costing 8c per pound to transport, causing an annual loss of over twelve millions of dollars, or twice the total deficit. This class was intended to include bona fide newspapers and periodicals only with paid subscription lists. but novels in serial form, advertising circulars ("house organs" they are called) and undue numbeas of sample copies causes the disproportionate amount of this class of matter. There are bills before Congress to restrict the use of this rate of postage to legitimate publication, but the opposition to such bills on the part of publishers and merchants is naturally great.

Now if the reader has absorbed a slight idea of the stupendous character of this service, he will naturally enquire as to the result. And *they* are somewhat colossal. During the past year there were;

6,576.310,000 pieces of mail handled with a total weight of 664,286,868 pounds. And, remember, each piece is handled several times.

16,086,022 pieces of registered matter were handled, yielding a revenue of over one million dollars.

5,473.605 special delivery stamps were used, which brought a clear profit to the government of over $130,000.

4,917,269,025 postage stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards etc. were issued to postmasters, with a face value of over ninety millions of dollars.

And the appointment division wasn't idle either, nor the detective and inspecting force. The former appointed about 15,000 persons, and the latter arrested 1,679, 1.350 of whom were not connected with the service; the rest being employees, only about 630 convictions were secured in U. S. courts and 68 before states' courts out of these 1679 arrests. And there are numberless other duties and things accomplished which it would be beyond the scope of this article to enumerate. Take the establishment of the postal service in our new colonies, many articles could be written on the shifts and hardships endured in supplanting the worthless and fraud-ridden methods of the Spanish with a far better, if not altogether pure system.

Popular Stamps

BY HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

With the writer all stamps are popular, but certain stamps are regarded with a sort of affection on account of the circumstances attaching to them. The 10c 1847 is regarded by me as a specially favorite one, because it came from a gentleman who has always been one of my best philatelic friends, and although he is an inveterate joker, anything he says leaves no sting. The stamp is "on cover," with a well known name attached to the letter itself, which is a part of the cover, and as the stamp was one of the first issued by the United States, this fact is one of the elements of its popularity. A ½c Jubilee is regarded by me with favor as it was presented to me when these stamps first came out, when the stamps in question had an exorbitant price hitched on to it, by one of

Right this way
To Get Your
Money's worth.

PHILIPPINES.

Set '98y '99 Unused

1, 2, 3, 5m, 1, 3, 8, 15, 20, 40, 60, 80c.

1 and 12 pesos. 14 var.

ALL FOR $6.00.

Reference: First National Bank, ValleyCity. N. D.

HARRY McDONALD,
VALLEY CITY, N. D.

my staunchest young friends in Canada, whose life was recently cut off so early and when I look at this stamp its color helps to make it speak the words, in a silent way, "In Memoriam," of Edward A. Marris. The 12 Kreuzer rural stamp of Baden, notwithstanding a quarter of it is gone, is well thought of because it was the first stamp I ever purchased, a quarter of a century ago, of the late F. Trifet, of Boston, and no more stamps were bought for over twenty years. I wish it was a used specimen (price $30).

Leaving personal considerations of popular stamps aside, I will speak of them in a general way. Of course with the specialist certain, countries are popular. One of my friends has a singular liking for the stamps of Uruguay. One gentleman who was formerly a correspondent for me on the Perforator, has a liking for Peruvians. I am pleased to find out that he did not carry out his expressed intention of going to Siberia, and that he will contribute for my new journal. Another writer has a penchant for Tasmanias, although this party loves all stamps in an idolized fashion. It seems queer that anyone can be found to have a special liking for reprints, but such is the case; the lover of said reprints, is rather young, but he has collected stamps longer than I. I called on him one day and asked him which were his most popular stamps, and he immediately turned to a page and said, "There!" and the page had nearly all of the bright-colored Heligolands, which he liked because they were so "nice and clean." A good deal of truth there. Although certain homely stamps are very high-priced and wanted, I don't know of anyone who makes a specialty of collecting homely stamps, although there may be those who do it.

I now come to the subject in general. which may seem as far from the starting point as the minister's "finally," although his "finally" was as long as the rest of the sermon. Poor man, he is gone! I heard that "finally" twice a day nearly every Sunday for eight years. When I did hear it, I would give a sigh, and say to myself, "half through." To many Americans (I mean Yankees or U. S. citizens) popular stamps seem to be those of our near neighbors, the issues of Canada, and if we did blow against those Jubilees, they were certainly popular, and since the price to a very popular one, and also the other "cornered" values. Tack on a stiff price to a stamp, and we all want it especially if it is high, and we eagerly grab it if it comes within hailing distance. Had this ½c stamp always been obainable at face, would we have cared as much for it? Not if the 1c, 2c or 3, had litsed at 65c instead of being "cheap stuff."

There are stamps, too, which have never been particularly high-priced but seem to have a wide-spread popularity. The Cabots have met will a good deal of favor, and the 5c blue of Newfoundland seems to be popular especially because it bears the face of a royal philatelist who stands a good chance of ruling the "Vaster empire than has been." The Omahas are quite popular too, especially with those who commenced the fad when they appeared as were the Columbian with those who bought their albums in 1893. At the present time the Netherland issues have a large following because reasonable in price and on account of bearing the queenly head of the "flaxen-haired little girl." Haytis are sought after a good deal. Conditions have a good deal to do with mak-

South Australia '96, ½p brown 'o. s.' .15.
Scott's Catalogue 59th edition 1900, Price 58c. Post free. 3 stamps worth 30c, free with each cat.

Have you any duplicates to sell? Write me.

W. HAMMOND,
PALMYRA, NEW YORK.

Spot Cash Paid [illegible] old Canadian, Newfoundland, United States, etc.

Two or three good collections also wanted

Address **B. F. Egan,**
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I Want To Buy.

all kinds of used Canadian stamps, current and obsolete, also any foreign and U. S. and Revenue stamps. What Can You Offer Me? I offer 100 sets of U. S. '98 doc. revenues, 1c to $1.00, nine var used fine for $1.00. My new 20pp price list is free.

B. L. Voorhees, Blue Island, Ill.

Agents Wanted

Can make ⅔ profit. No stamps. Send stamp for particulars. Address,

Chas. F. Stasch,
772 W. Superior St., Chicago, Ill.

U. S. 1898 DOC. REV.

½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50, 80, $1, $3, $5
Whole Set Good Condition 25c
Postage extra.
GEO. BIRKHOFF, 408 Marshfield Ave.,
CHIBAGO, ILL.

You Want 1—½c Jubilee unused.
1—8c " "
1—3c env. surch "
5—½c black num. "
5—½c 4 leaves "
5—3c 4 " surch "
[illegible]

For $1?

D. R. Macdonald,
Box 313, New Glasgow, N. S.

500 Circulars

of 50 words or less sent to you for only 20c prepaid.

Or 250 mailed to you and 250 mailed to 250 spot cash buyers with our order.

[illegible]

Private Proprietaries 1895 pisos
⅝ blue with plate no 5c
Chas. Fletcher 1¼ black..... 5c
Johnson & Johnson ⅝ red..... 5c
Order the three and get set of doc rev. ½c to $1.00 free.

Dodge & Dodge,
Hamilton, ILL.

MY APPROVAL BOOKS

Filled with attractive stamps comprising all the latest issues at 50% dis against good reference. Scott's 59th catalog postpaid 58c. Eureka hinges 1000 for 10c, 3000 for 25c. Fine Imperial stamp album postpaid 31c. 1898 doc revs ½-1-2-3-5-10-25-40-50-80, $1-$3-$5 postpaid 50c. Wholesale lots solicited. **F. Eldredge, Mansfield, Mass**

1 Post card album $2.50 to exchange for stamps.

COLLECTORS Readers.

For Exchange.

5 cent. Nick Carter, Work & Win, Young Glory, Pluck & Luck, Secret Secret Service, Old Cap Collier, in fact nearly every library published to exchange for stamps. Either packets or on sheets. Enclose stamp for a list.

Harry Pamplin, Jr.,
Woodstock, Ont.

Bargains in

Unused Stamps.

Newfoundland Royal set ½-1-2-3-5c	.20
" 1880 ½-1-2-3-5-6-10-12-24c	1.00
Cuba, '71 to '96 20 stamps cat 1.11	.50
Canada Jubilee ½c to 20c ten stamps	1.50

R. H. Platt,
Phelpston, Ont.

ing stamps popular. Cubans have for a long time been favored on account of those "cunning little heads," and, since the late unpleasantness Spanish issues have been eagerly wished for, for fear that change of ownership would make them scarce, and everybody wants those late 4 milesima issues of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines because of the high value attached to those stamps containing the head of of the sickly-looking boy king. The recently issued Cubans are very popular indeed, being handsome enough to suit those who look for beauty. The "Remember the Maine" stamps seem to have "shot their bolt," as it were. If a stamp had been brought out in October with Dewey's head on it, people would have fell over each other trying to get it. His true admirers would never have ceased to love him, but the "Kickers" might have turned his face to the wall after the "house episode." These folks probably never were in love, and don't stop for reason. The 1898 issues of Portugal were handsome affairs. If they had been confined to the home country alone, they would be more popular. Fifty-six stamps instead of eight is too much of a good thing. The New Zealands are very popular, too, or were for a while before newer things came along. And "there are others," too numerous to mention here.

It isn't exactly stamps, but the fad came to me through my connection with them. Many pleasant correspondents have been placed on my list. It has been my desire to collect their counterfeit presentiments as far as possible, and they are prized more than the stamps in most or all cases. To secure these likenesses, I have given away many of myself and family. These likenesses have been tendered a little more lavishly than suit the prudent ideas of some, but with the best of intentions, all the same, and when I am told that "You do love to spread them around." I am forced to smile and ponder on the inconsistency of people who take the negative side of everything you attempt and lose sight of the good you mean to accomplish from taking a daily vow not to speak well of you. Selah!

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U. S. Official Post Cards.

BY JONAH.

Although postal card collecting has grown into popular favor with the great mass of collectors quite recently, very few collections contain the "Official Business" postal cards, and very few collectors can boast of anything but a very meagre knowledge of their existence. The reason of this is obvious. The average individual rarely sees a specimen and those who do, if they are not a collector, pay little or no attention to thom. So the philatelic world, generally speaking, knows very little about these highly interesting issues.

It shall be the purpose of this article to dispel, if possible, the cobwebs from the minds of the many, and incidentally describe a few of the varieties.

These cards have no face value. No stamps are required on them. They are used solely, as their name implies, to transmit department messages through the mails.

The variety most commonly met with by the public is the "Held for postage," cards notice. It is used by postmasters to notify addressees, of mail matter deposited at their office without the necessary postage

Everbody is Pleased

with our stamps and packts. Send
a trial order and be convinced.

*Set ½c 50 Can Jub. inclusive	2.00
*½c Jubilee	.18
*6c "	.33
*8c "	.12
*3c Letter card surcharged 2c	.05
*1c Peru wrapper ultramarine	.01
*8c orange surch'd 1c St. Settl's	.02
*5c New Brunswick	.03
50c Can. Jub. used	.16
1000 hinges	.10
12 Blank App. Sheets	.06
100 " " "	.25
Needham's Revenue Cat. postpaid	.11

Canadian.

25 5c 4 I	.20
25 5c nos.	.15
25 1c 4 leaf	.03
25 3c " "	.03
25 Imperial	.11
25 ½c nos.	.10
100 2c purple	.10
100 2c red	.05
100 1c green	.04
½, 1 and 2d New Zealand '91	.03
30c surcharged 20c Hong Kong	.03
3 diff. Hawaii	.06
½ to 8c Can. M. L. 7 var.	.15
½ to 10c Nos. 9 var.	.10
25 all diff. Br. Colonials	.10
50 " " foreign	.05
100 ass. "	.05
15 all diff. U. S.	.05
15 " " Can. Rev.	.05
15 Br. Col. cat. at least 50c	.20
10 South American	.05
100 1c stamps mounted on sheets	.20

Special! Look!

All these postpaid 11 cts.

1 price list of stamps
50 ass. stamps
5 British Colonials
Sample Copy Jub. Phil.
100 Stamp Hinges
5 Blank App. sheets
an unused obsolete Canadian

Postage extra on all on all orders under 25c. We give a packet of 25 all diff. stamps to those sending for our approval sheets at 50% dis. We desire your patronage. Price list free on application.
Correspondents please use ½c stamps.

We buy Canadian stamps. **Agent for Jubilee Philatelist.**

The G. C. Kieth Stamp Co.,

Box 165, Smith's Falls, Ont.

ESTABLISHED 1895.

affixed. This card is reasonably well known, but a description of it may be not amiss to some. In the upper right hand corner, on the face of the card, taking the place of the stamp, is the usual penalty inscription.

First, the word, Post Office," with space left under it where the name of the P. O. is to be stamped, and under that "Official Business," in one line, following with, "A penalty of $300 is fixed by law for using this Card for other than Official Business" in two lines. Four lines are ruled in the centre for the address. At the top is a number enclosed in parenthesis thus (No 1543). This is the number of the card and is used by postmasters when ordering a supply from the Department. The reverse of the card is given up to the notice which requests the addressee to forward postage for the unstamped matter. The card must be returned also, therefore a collection is usually minus the variety.

Another variety, and one with which all publishers are more or less familiar, is the postmaster's card, "Notice to publishers to discontinue sending publication." This card may be of two colors; viz.—white and blue. The blue is the latest and fast superseding the old white card.

At the top, appears, "Post Office Department." Below it, are spaces for the Post Office, State and date, in three lines. At the left of this and separated from it by a brace, appears "This must be *Legibly* stamped on or written in by P. M," Four ruled lines in the center provides for the address. In the lower left hand corner is the penalty, which is the same as the above described, with the exception of the word "on," which is used in place of "for." The number of the card, 1528, is found on the reverse side, This card is used to notify publishers when certain subscribers refuse to take the publication from the office.

A third rarity which we will, describe is rarely seen outside of the postal service, but it is very interesting especially to postmasters. It is mailed at Washington, D. C., at the office of the Auditor for the Post Office Department and is sent to the various postmasters informing them whether or no, their preceding postal account was correct. The paper used in this card is of a better grade than the two preceding varieties. In the upper right hand corner, in one line, appears the sentence, "If not delivered in TEN days return." Under this is a ruled line separating the above from "Treasury Department, office of the Auditor For The Post Office Department," in three lines. Under this is another ruled line, below which is "Official Business." "Any person using this card to avoid the payment of postage on private matter of any kind will be subject to a fine of Three Hundred Dollars," in four lines.

In the center, in large type is printed "Postmaster." followed by three ruled lines for the post office, state and county, which must be written in. The number of the card is 2-2221, and is found in the lower right hand corner.

These are only a few of the "Official Business" postal cards, but lack of space prevents any further description of them. The varieties of Official Envelopes are even more numerous than those of cards, while the wrappers deserve their share of attention also. Lucky, indeed, is he who can make a collection of these interesting issues.

HEADQUARTERS

For Canadian Revenues pretty and popular. I want to buy rare Canadian Revenues, postage etc.

RETAIL BARGAINS

Telegraph Frank, C. P. Ry., 1898	.25
" " " " " 1899	.15
Canadian Revenues, 40 vars	.85
" Revenue album, a beauty	.85
" green laws, 10 var. only	.15
Nova Scotia law stamp, 25c only	.30
Quebec $2 License Stamp "	.30
Canada 1855, 10d., blue, fair copy only	4.50
" 1857, 6d., thick, spongy paper	4.80
" 1857, 6d, perf., very fine	20.00
" 8c blue register, mint, only	1.50

WHOLESALE BARGAINS

Green laws, large and handsome, splendid traders mixed	per 100 only	.75
ditto	per 500, $3.20. per 1000 "	5.80
Gas Inspection, 50c	per 100	.95
" " 50c	per 1,000	4.25
Electric Light Inspection 50c mixed,	per 10 only	2.00
Western Union Franks, 1898, 1899, 10 of each	"	.50

EXCHANGE:—Canadian Revenues to exchange for your duplicates, catalogued not less than 5 cents each A fine collection of 100 entire sheets of ribbon fiscals for sale. Fine sheets on approval at net or 50% discount.

I want to buy used horizontal imperf. pairs, strips, blocks of Canadians, Brit. Colonials also good to rare used Australians, and rare Can. Revs.

W. KELSEY HALL,
PETERBOROUGH, ONT.

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The Philatelic Messenger,
The Ontario Philatelist,
and the Stamp Reporter.
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WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

WITH this our fourth annual New Year's Number, we extend to all our subscribers, those who are not subscribers, and our advertisers and those who are not advertisers all the Compliments of the Season, and may the year 1900 be one long remembered by stamp collectors throughout the world. For three years, we have attempted to make our journal the best and leading philatelic paper in Canada and also, which would rank with any in the United States. We are securing more and better patronage each year and if our success continues, we believe we can yet fulfill our promise and issue a 100 page issue to celebrate the 20th century. The result depends almost entirely upon those who are neither subscribers nor advertisers, as those who are our patrons, are not sufficient in number to warrant such a large edition. This issue is sent to a trifle over two thousand collectors in Canada and the United States who are not subscribers, and we are convinced that more than one-quarter of them will send twenty-five cents, the price of one year's subscription. We also give elegant premiums in addition to an ad on the Bargain Page. If your subscription is received, it will aid towards the issuance of one of the finest publications on the continent.

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During the past year, considerable annoyance has been displayed by the stamp collecting fraternity at the large number of frauds, which have suddenly come into existence in the United States and Canada. One certain U. S. publisher and one U. S. dealer has expressed great indignation on account of some Canadian dealers(?) not paying for space, and collectors not re-

SHE WAS BLIND.

A blindness comes to me now and then. I have it now. It is queer—I can see your eyes but not your nose. I can't read because some of the letters are blurred; dark spots cover them; it is very uncomfortable.

I know all about it; it's DYSPEPSIA. Take one of these; it will cure you in ten minutes.

What is it?

A Ripans Tabule.

WANTED.—A case of bad health that R·I·P·A·N·S will not benefit. They banish pain and prolong life. One gives relief. Note the word R·I·P·A·N·S on the package and accept no substitute. R·I·P·A·N·S, 10 for 5 cents or twelve packets for 48 cents, may be had at any drug store. Ten samples and one thousand testimonials will be mailed to any address for 5 cents, forwarded to the Ripans Chemical Co., No. 10 Spruce St., New York.

turning approval sheets. Can we blame the dealers for not paying for their space? This publisher inserts advertisements without demanding cash in advance. The youthful dealer, who has very little cash, and not much more stock, wishes to dispose of his small accumulation of stamps; that is, small to branch out as a dealer. He sends an advertisement to the paper and probably does not receive more than one or two responses to it; he has no money to pay up, so he is advertised as a fraud soon after the appearance of his first ad. Seeing his former good name branded in this manner, he is apt to get reckless and perhaps write for stamps to his left and to his right; when he obtains them, he sells a few but rarely returns the money or stamps.

Who then, is the cause of these so-called frauds? Shall we be harsh and say it was the fault of that publisher? We refrain from doing so, but our readers can form their own opinions about the matter.

This same publisher asserts that most of the frauds are found in Canada, and goes still further and states that there are more frauds in Ontario, than in both the U. S. and England combined. We are sure that this is is untrue. If that publisher will look into his own state he will see some worse frauds than Ontario has, or at least just as bad; the same with a few states south.

We are acquainted, to our sorrow, with several frauds in the United States and only one in Canada, and he is not in Ont. We do not claim that all the Canadian collectors are "as true as steel," but we do say there are more frauds in the United States than in England and all her Colonies: but probably there are more collectors in the U. S., we will not dispute the point, probably there are probably there are not.

Then again some of the dealers in the U. S. send their cheapest grade of stamps to the collector's first request for sheets. They are digusted with the stamps and the dealer. The same dealer asks for return postage but does not enclose return postage when he does the writing. The ADVOCATE has a good circulation in Canada, and dealers who advertise for references and do not write to those references, but send five or six cheap sheets to the applicant almost deserve to lose one or two lots.

Some of the dealers, but very few at present, watch the list of applications for membership in the various associations in the United States and Canada, and send those collectors unsolicited approval sheets. As the dealers who do this sort of work have found out that they lose more than they gain, this unbusinesslike way of dealing has practically ceased.

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On the 10th of January, the Dominion Philatelic Asssociation Handbook and Starnaman's Directory of Canadian Collectors was mailed, It contains 100 pages and cover and consists of a history and all the particulars and benefits of the association. There is also a good assortment of advertisements, all of which are from D. P. A. members only. It is useful for dealers as well as collectors and we know that any dealer who does not purchase one is standing in his own light, because the names of Canadian collectors are hard to secure; more especially a thoroughly reliable list like those in the D. P. A. Handbook. All the names were obtained from various sources in the short time of two

First Trip to Canada

We bring many offerings which we hope will gain for us a royal welcome.

* unused. † used and unused.

— Sets —

Argentine	15 var	.15
Austria 1850-64	12 "	.10
Belgium 1893, 1c-2fr, comp	12 "	.30
Brazil 1894, 10r-1000r.	8 "	.12
Bulgaria 1882-88 10 var	10 "	.12
" 1889, 1-50s		.08
Curacao 1892, 10, 12½, 15, 25		.10
Dutch Indies 1870-92, 20 var.		.40
Ecuador 15 var.		.20
Finland 16 var.		.20
*Costa Rica 1889, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50.		.07
†Cuba 1856-86 15 var. some unused		.15
† " 1890-96, 12 var. inc. 20c (2)		.30
* " 1896. Newspaper ½-8m green.		.12
Greece Olympian 1, 2, 5, 10, 20.		.10
*Guatemala 1882 complete (5)		.20
" 1887 1-25c 7 var.		.15
* " 1897 1c to 500c 11 var.		1.00
Hawaii 1882-99 12 var.		.30
Hayti 1893, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 20c		.35
Iceland 3, 5, 6, 10, 20c		.10
Italy postage 25 var.		.10
" unpaid 1c-10l, 12 var.		.20
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My Australian Packet contains

New South Wales	22
New Zealand	10
Queensland	14
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80 stamps for $1.50

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300 var. for 50c.

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" 25c brown	.03
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Ready about Jan'y 15th. If you had an old one you know how valuable a list it is.

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Cape of Good Hope
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Lorenzo Marquez
Natal
Orange Free State
Rhodesia
South African Rep
Zululand

50 varieties for 75 cents.

A few are unused but all in good condition.

Those who have dealt with us know that we always send good stamps. All remittances should be by money order. Canadian stamps taken only at 10% discount.

W. F. GREGORY,

71 Nassau St., Room 4, New York.

months. There are nearly fifteen hundred names in the Directory. The price has been placed at a very reasonable figure, only fifteen cents postpaid, or with the ADVOCATE one year for only twenty-five cents.

We intended to have a specially designed cover for the Handbook but owing to the artist taking so long to make the design we were unable to procure the cuts in time, so had to use a type-set design.

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We have adopted a new plan for the benefit of our regular advertisers and any who wish to take advantage of our new special offer should do so at once. Our advertising rates are 40c per inch, but if any advertiser wishes to secure advertising at the very small rate of 17c per inch he can do so very easily. We have small advertising checks. Any person paying $2.00, the price of a page ad, in advance will be given 12 of these advertising checks. The checks can be used any time, and any amount of space. Each check is good for one inch of advertising space in the ADVOCATE. Unless the cash accompanies the order the checks will not be given.

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The scarcity of two cent surcharges, both maple leaves and numerals, is being considerably commmented upon by many of our contemporaries. Most of the editors seem to found their facts on fiction, and state that some person in Canada has succeeded in cornering a large number of these stamps. We do not believe that this is the case at all.

The publishers of the ADVOCATE, who do not make a business of dealing in stamps, handled about 5,000 surcharges since they were issued. Taking this into consideration, how many should a dealer handle? In first place, about half the surcharges would be thrown away by people who are not collectors, and the other half must he divided equally among the thousands of collectors in the United States and Canada to say nothing of Foreign countries.

Has some person cornered them? No! By the time some collectors retain a few hundred each, some perhaps a few thousand and others only fifty or so, there certainly must be a member who have only one or two, or perhaps none, and so these latter persons come to the hasty conclusion, that "Some one has cornered them." The highest prices paid for surcharges, so far is as follows: Maple Leaves per 100—$1.25. Numerals per 100—$1.00. There are some who will dispute this, saying that they had an offer of 2c a piece for maple leaves, but there are always some who can obtain more than others.

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The past year has seen the appearance of a number of dealers who persist in sending stamps to collectors, who never requested them. A few years ago this unbusinesslike practice was carried on to a large extent, until the dealers found out, to their sorrow, that in many cases the stamps were never returned. The next thing to do was to have the names published as frauds. In the editor's opinion the persons who received the stamps were justified in retaining them, as in most cases stamps were not worth returning. If the person did return them he should keep enough to pay postage and trouble. As soon as this mean practice is done away with, just so soon, will our pursuit be rid of frauds more quickly.

My Specialty Trading Stamps by Wholesale.

Look over these plans and if none suit let me know how you want to trade and what you have to trade or if not ready now keep this advertisement till you do get ready.

Send five packets foreign stamps containing 25 or 50 varieties in each, or two packets of 75 or 100 varieties or one packet containing 125 varieties or over and I will return you packets of my foreign containing same number of varieties and as near catalogue value as I can.

Send five packets U. S. stamps containing 25 or 50 varieties in each and receive five packets of my U. S. same number of varieties, or you can have five packets of foreign for the U. S.

Send at least 500 and not over 1000 foreign from any country or countries, no United States, as many varieties as you can and not over twenty stamps of any one kind in same packet, and I will return you same number of my foreign not over twenty alike and as near same catalogue value as I can.

Send 300 or more United States stamps not over fifteen alike and I will return same number of my U. S. not over fifteen alike.

Send 100 or more Canada postage, revenues, etc., at least ten varieties and not over ten of a kind in each 100 stamps sent, and receive in return same quantity, variety and value old U. S. Postage, Revenues, Dues, Columbians etc.

Send 100 distinct varieties foreign stamps and I will send you 30 varieties United States no revenues, or 35 varieties with revenues, or will send 1000 "Best" hinges if you enclose stamp for postage. Or send 35 varieties U. S. no revenues and I will send you ten varieties 1898 documentary stamps ½c to $1.00.

In making up your packets use only distinct varieties such as listed in Scott's latest catalogues, and if you do not have the 59th Catalogue make up yonr packets by the latest you have. Mention one you have and I will put up my packets by it for you using different varieties of stamps from yours as far as possible.

Try the "Best" hinges made of Onion skin paper price postpaid 500—6c. 1000—10c. 3000—20c

I can furnish Scott's 59th Catalogue postpaid 58c.

N. S. MOORE, BOX 14, NAPLES, ILLINOIS.

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Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

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To officers and Members.
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Dear Sirs,

I take the present opportunity of wishing you, one and all, the Compliments of the Season, and at the same time to extend my thanks for your efforts on behalf of our Association during the year, with the hope and anticipation that the good work will be continued in 1900.

We have to note with satisfaction the continued large increase in Membership, as well as the fact that the Exchange Department is in working order, Members are requested to give the latter their consideration and attention with a view of increasing its efficiency.

The writer will be pleased to hear from Members who may desire to communicate with him respecting the Association, and will appreciate any suggestions that may be tendered in that direction.

Again wishing you the Compliments of Season and every prosperity for the new year,

Yours very truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE,
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91.	" " " 30c scarlet	.25
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300 All different stamps, postfree only 40c.
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"Kekionga Beginner's Assortment" only $1.35. We have made up a choice assortment for beginners as follows: 1 cloth bound album regular price 50c. 300 all different excellent stamps, regular price 50c. 1000 best hinges, regular price 10c. 1 Scott's 59th Cat. reg price 58c and 1 perf guage, reg. price 10c. $1.78 worth sent postfree for only $1.35.

5 Var Lubeck, German Free City postfree **7c**

These stamps are genuine government reprints, made for the benefit of a sick Prussian soldier. Set of five varieties ½, 1, 2, 2½ and 4sch. Those empty spaces in your album ought to be covered.

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The above will be admitted to membership Feb. 1st provided no objection is filed with the Secretary before that date.

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Mr. W. A. Hatch, Bellows Falls, Nt. D. P. A. No. 101, had the misfortune to lose a portion of two fingers on the right hand, while coupling cars.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$31.76.
Received for dues, etc.....	10.59.
	42.35.
Paid Official Organ	2.69.
" postage.....	1.53.
C. Bailey postage for Trustee.....	.73.
C. Applegath " " "	.28.
G. W. Hicks " " "	.35.
Balance on hand.....	36.77.
	42.35.

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Messrs Starnaman Bros.

Am in receipt of Handbook. In reply I beg to state on behalf of the Trustees of the D. P. A. we are highly pleased with contents and general make up of the book, and accept same as Official Handbook.

Yours sincerely,
CHARLES BAILEY,
Chairman D. P. A. Trustees.

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United States Minutes.

BY USONA.

The only one of the United States colonies not subject to domestic rates of postage is Hawaii, and it will require an act of Congress to put this island on the same footing with the others.

Two new envelopes have been issued for use in Cuba, 1 and 2 cent on oriental buff, also a set of surcharge postage dues is in use there. The two cent documentary of the current U. S. Revenue series has a new rouletting, 7, and is in a higher tint of carmine.

All the remainders of Spanish stamps are to be sold in Manila by the U. S. officers in charge.

Everyone has now a stone to sling at Bach, who had better stay to teach the conquered Boers the beauties of our hobby.

The immediate error in the Cuban Special delivery stamp has been corrected.

J. M. Bartels wrote a letter to a local paper strongly in favor of a one- two- and five cent issue for the Buffalo Exposition and deprecating the putting forth of higher values as savoring of speculation. And all our pages seem to be with him.

Great Britain has only just adopted colonial penny postage, but we put it in force in our new possessions practically immediately upon acquisition.

If the war tax is not repealed in the present Congress, and it is not likely to be there are over 800 firms in America who may issue private stamps, some of only one value but many of several denominations.

Two freaks are reported for the current 2c red envelope, one a bright orange, and the other in a reddish brown.

The usual autumn crop of new philatelic publications is appearing. So far I have seen one exception only to the general rule of rehashed or stolen reading matter and doubtful advertisers, with extravagant bonuses to subscribers and cut rates to advertisers. The old "We have come to stay," reveals by its frequent repetition the doubt as to its truth which exists in the editors mind even as he pens it. Most of these papers, to judge from the advertisements, are started by small dealers who think they can induce the philatelic public to pay them sufficiently for copied notes and worn out topics to enable them to advertise without cost to themselves.

There are three points an intending publisher should consider: First he should have enough money to run the paper at least a year without calculating on its self support. He has got to fight his way in a line where there are well established and reliable organs, and subscribers and advertisers will take time to consider before paying out money to a new venture. Already this season, one which boasted of its corps of experienced writers and heavy "backing" has gone under, Vol. I. No. I. having exhasted its publisher's finances, and there will be many others. In this

The Bargains of the Year 1900.

United States, Foreign and Revenues.

Old U. S. Revenues a Specialty.

Old Paper.	
1c Telegraph red	.08
2c Play Card orange	.25
2c Play Card blue	.15
2c proprietary "	.06
1c express red	.02
2c certificate blue	.45
3c proprietary green	.10
3c play card green	4.00
4c " " violet	3.90
5c " " red	.60
5c Inland Ex. Red	.03
5c Certificate red	.02
5c Foreign Exchange red	.03
5c Agreement red	.02
2nd Issue	
5c revenue blue black	.04
10c U. S. Int. Rev. blue black	.02
50c U. S. Int. Rev. blue black	.02
3rd Issue.	
$1.00 U. S. Int, rev. green blk	.06
1869 one cent buff	.35
War 12c red brown	.50
Old paper.	
25c Insurance Red	.02
25c Power of Attorney	.02
$1.00 Lease red	.05
1.00 Inland Exchange red	.01
2.00 Probate of Will "	.40
2 00 Conveyance "	.05
2.00 Mortgage "	.06
1.00 Manifest "	.30
50c Lease blue	.20
50c Passage ticket blue	.07
50c Probate of Will blue	.35
50c Foreign Exchange blue	.20
5.00 Probate of Will red	.35
25.00 Mortgage red	2.75
1.00 U. S. Int. 1898	.03

And other 1898 Revenues cheap. Send me your wanted list of them and let me make you prices on them

Other Bargains.

Omahas 1-2-4-5-8-10c	.15
Columbian 1-2-3-4-5-8-10c	.10
Omaha 50c used fine	.35
Omaha $1.00 used fine	.75
1c I. R. surcharged used	.01
2c I. R. " "	.03
Canada 4 leaf ½-1-2-3	.04
Canada 2c Xmas unused	.03
25 var U. S. only dept. Special Delivery and dues	.20
Switzerland 2-5-10-20-22-40c	.05

All of the above stamps in lots of one to 10, so don't be afraid that when you order you won't get your stamps. **To anyone sending me an order over $5.00 I will give Scott's 59th catalogue free.** Remember this is not for 30 days but for 1900. Best stamp hinges 10c per 1000, 3000—20c

These stamps are good genuine stamps in fine condition and lightly cancelled and at any time inside of 30 days that the stamps do not prove satisfactory, your money refunded.

F. S. VAUGHN,

All Kinds of United States and Foreign Stamps.

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D. P. A. NO. 188.

connection I was rather amused to see in a Vol. 1. No. 1. an advertisement to the effect that the publishers could offer exceptionally favorable terms to owners of papers were which going to discontinue in filling subscriptions and advertising contracts.

The second point is the reading matter. The Vol. 1, No. 1. is an important number it is the one which will be read by all persons to whom it is sent, out of curiosity mainly, and if the articles are interesting and new, number two will have a favorable reception and a subscription is likely to follow. But if the sample copy is not liked, succeeding numbers are likely to find their way to the waste paper basket unread.

Thirdly, the reputation of the advertisers should be beyond question. A number one received recently gives a whole page to the advertisement of $1.15 for 95 cents by the Eureka Stamp Co., of Sherbrooke, N. S., a company whose reputation is more strong than savory in the U. S. The publisher who thus allows his immediate cash to overcome his business integrity will hardly have real success, though his paper may continue to run.

Scattered through the masses of printed matter which go to make up annual government reports, there are many interesting articles. They are so buried that it is only occasionally that they get out into general circulation. The reports presented to Congress during December have been full of interesting matters, containing, as they do, the reports on the Spanish-American War and many questions resulting therefrom. The report of the Postmaster General has many items of philatelic interest, and I will briefly mention some of them. They show that in many directions Uncle Sam has much to learn from other nations in the adoption of labor-and time-saving appliances, and especially has he lessons to learn on how to secure the greatest amount of benefit from the least expenditure of money. He recommends the adoption of a system for the registration of mail by letter-carriers, the use of the same system of postal checks now employed in Canada (Hats off to "Our Lady of the Snows"), and the rural free delivery system, as in force in England. The system of registration by carriers has been adopted by an order of the Postmaster General of December 5th, at first to be used only in the residence portions of the cities, though later, if a success, it will be extended to the business parts. He gives a complete list of the stamps issued during the year, showing amounts and denominations, for our new colonies and Cuba as well as for the United States. Two rather curious methods of getting the best of Uncle Sam by small postmasters are aired. At post offices where the receipts are less than $50 per annum the postmaster is given the stamps he may require, and the postmasters have been detected in selling these stamps at less than face, and in the case of postage dues by pre-arrangement the postmaster will order merchandise which he may intend to sell over his counter, sent to him first class with but two cents prepaid. Postage due stamps to cover the deficiency are then attached, and he credits himself with commissions on their cancellation. Rather ingenious.

The dead letter sale which occurs here annually took place in December. Several of the lots had stamps in, but the ones I saw were of the 1000 mixed for 15c kind and one speculator was making the air blue

ON APPROVAL.

My specialty is general foreign on approval at 50 per cent discount. Send a small cash deposit, 50 cents or more, or a reference from some business man who knows you and I will send a nice assortment for you to select from.

Cuba, 1896, 1, 2, 2½, 5, 10c	unused	.10
Porto Rico, 1896, ½, 1, 2, 4m	"	.05
" " 1898, 1, 2, 3, 5m	"	.08
Philippines 1886, ⅛, 1, 2, 5m	"	.15
" 1896, ⅛, 1, 2, 5m	"	.08
" 1898, 1, 2, 3, 5m	"	.08
Sweden, 1891-92, Set of 9 varieties,		.05
Cuba, 1876, 25c gray lilac		.03
" 1878, 50c green		.02
" 1879, 50c gray		.02
United States $1.00 Document Revenue, 1898		.01
" " 30 cent black 1890		.06
" " 50 cent orange 1895		.08
18 different U. S. Revenues		.10
1000 Mixed Continentals		.20
1000 Best Stamp Hinges made,		.10

Unused U. S. and Canada stamps accepted in payment for small amounts.

H. C. YOUNG,
Box 1448,
Providence, R. I., U. S. A.

over a dollor purchase of several thousand 1 and 2 cent current U. S. The bidding is blind, but the fools are many, and it is brisk.

It seems to me that about the first thing a young dealer should learn is promptness in acknowledging correspondence, especially those containing remittances and orders. The writer is anxiously waiting a reply and future orders are likely to go to the dealer who recognizes this anxiety and replies promptly, whether the goods can be sent or no. It costs a 1c postcard but may retain a good customer.

Prominent Collectors.

ERNEST F. WURTELE.

Mr. Ernest F. Wurtele, President of the D. P. A., whose cut appears on another page, commenced collecting in the year 1872, while attending the Collegiate Institute at Galt, Ontario, but after a period of a couple of years, he lost interest, owing to a change to another place of residence. In 1886 he had occassion to look through some books and came across his first collection and which was the means of his making another start. He is a general collector of Postage and Revenue stamps, as well as Post Cards and now has a collection of 9,000 Postage and over 3,000 Revenues. Won the first prize for postage stamps at the Central Ontario Exhibition, Ottawa, Ont., in 1892, consisting of a bronze medal and third prize for a collection of Canadian Revenue Stamps.

He was one of the Charter Members of the Canadian Philatelic Association, then Vice-President for Quebec, and subsequently Chairman of Trustees, afterwards holding the office of President for a number of years.

He is also a member of the following societies:—Dominion Philatelic Association, La Societie Timbrophile de Paris, The League of Canadian Philatelists, the Montreal and Quebec Philatelic Associations, etc. Was President of the Quebec society and at the last Annual Convention of the Dominion Philatelic Association was elected its President which office he now fills.

Graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston, Ontario, on the 27th June 1885; accepted a Commission in the 18th Battalion, "Royal Rifles" Quebec in 1885 and served with that corps for a number of years, five of which in the capacity of Captain and Adjutant. At present he is on the Reserve of Officers, Engineer Branch.

He is the Secretary-Treasurer and Chief Accountant of the Quebec Railway, Light and Power Company, operating the Railway between Qubec and Cap Tourmente and the Montmorency Electric and Power Company.

Mr. Wurtele is also a member of the Council of the Quebec Board of Trade. At the beginning of the current year he was appointed Royal Danish Vice-Consul and Vice-Consul for Sweden and Norway as well as acting Vice-Consul for Italy.

He was born at St. David, Quebec, on the 29th of Feb. 1860.

JOHN HULME LOWE.

The subject of this interesting sketch once conducted a thriving stamp business in the centre of the city of Toronto. However, after being in business a few years, he coucluded that a good business conld be carried on by mail, so he gave up his store in the city and now does a thriving mail

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Used.		Unused.	
1852 3p red wove	.23	½-1-2-3-8c maple leaf	.22
1859 5c beaver	.03	3 shades map	.09
" 1c pink	.05	10c Special Delivery	.12
" 10c red lilac	.32	Surcharged 2c maple leaf	.03
" 12½c green	.35	" 2c numeral	2½c
" 17c blue	.85	5c numeral	.07
1868 ½c black	.12	50c deep blue	.62
" 1c brown red	.18	3c letter card	.04
" 3c red	.03	2c " "	.04
" 12½c blue	.14	1c " "	.03
" 15c lilac	.07	1c Red post card	.02
1892 20c vermillion	.09	2c " "	.03
" 50c deep blue	.18	2c reply " "	.03
1897 ½c to 10c maple leaf complete set.....	.28	2c Universale post card	.03
1898 ½c to 10c numeral complete set. ...	.20	2c red envelopes	.04
25 assorted revenues	.12	3c " "	.04
		1c green "	.03

Send Your Wants to Me

for stamps on cover. I have all kinds of Canadian on entire envelopes. The accumulation of 12 year's collecting. Postage extra on orders on under 50c. Send Postal Notes or Money Order when possible.

J. R. Croft, Beeton, Ont.

I have a lot of Canada Law stamps (green) duplicates which I wish to exchange for others, also Ont. Law.

order business.

He was the first secretary of the Philatelic Club of Toronto; Vice President of the Bay State Philatelic Association; member of the U. A. P. A. and the Canadian Philatelic Press Club. He is at present interested in Philatelic Literature and has a large stock of Canadian and American stamp journals.

W. RUSSELL BROWN.

Mr. Brown, D. P. A. 48, has a collection of over 4,000 varieties but his specialty, Canadian Revenues, is his favorite collection. He is at present residing in Toronto and taking a course of studies at the Central Business College during the winter.

He was formerly Secretary-Treasurer of the B. S. P. A. He is also a member of the S. P. A.

MR. & MRS. J. P. STARNAMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Starnaman, the parents of Messrs Starnaman Bros., were both born in Canada and are both members of the D. P. A. Mrs. Starnaman has a fine collection of unused stamps. Mr. Starnaman, though greatly interested in stamps, has no collection but is always on the lookout for bargains. He has resided in Berlin for thirty years and is proprietor and manager of Starnaman's Picture Store. He is Commander of Star Tent K. O. T. M., and has been Public School Trustee for the past two years.

BERLIN BIG THREE.

Probably no three persons in one town are better known in the philatelic world than Messrs F. I. Weaver and Starnaman Bros. The first to the left of the picture is F. I. Weaver, D. P. A. Librarian. He was born in Berlin in 1878 and has been in the stamp and publishing business almost ever since. It was through his efforts that the *Philatelic Advocate* was started. He acted as editor for one year when, owing to other business he disposed of his share to Messrs. Starnaman Bros. However he could not keep out of journalism and a short time after he commenced the publica- of the *Boys Own Philatelist*, which was afterward changed to the *Canadian Philatelic Review*. This paper was then changed to a weekly. Not having time to conduct a weekly Mr. Weaver changed his paper to a semi-monthly under the name of *Energy*. This paper was devoted to sports, general information and philately. Commencing January Mr. Weaver intends to devote *Energy* as a monthly entirely to philately.

The next on the group is W. A. Starnaman, Business Manager of the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE and Starnaman Bros. Printing Office. In Sept. 1896, in company with his brother and F. I. Weaver, established the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE, the only philatelic paper that has ever been successful in Canada. Mr. Starnaman is Record Keeper of Star Tent K. O. T. M., Secy-Treas. of the Order of Canadian Home Circles and a member of the Waterloo Epworth League. He was born in Berlin in 1875.

Last but not least we have the features of Mr. Geo. W. Starnaman, the Secretary-Treasurer of the D. P. A. He was born in Berlin in 1880. He is foreman of the job department of Starnaman Bros. Printing Office. This firm has met with phenomenal success since its establishment in May 1896. The first outfit consisted of a small hand press and a few fonts of type. The proprietors kept adding to their small stock until at present they have a fine outfit equipped with the latest materials and machinery. Their mail-order trade extends to all parts of the world.

CAPT. E. F. WURTELE, D. P. A. PRESIDENT.

JOHN H. LOWE.

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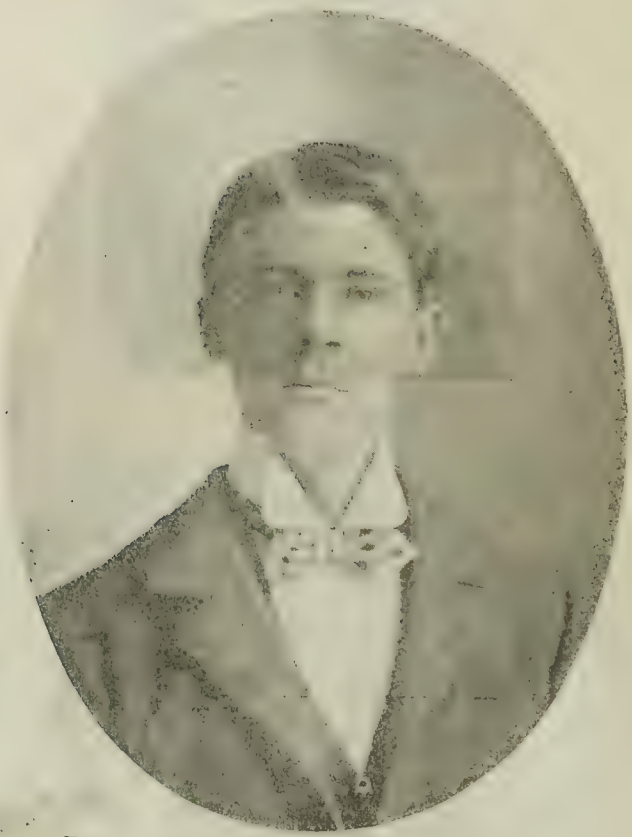

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

An Apology

With this issue the ADVOCATE appears late for the first time in its history. This lateness was caused by the extra rush of Holiday work and the amount of work put on the D. P. A. Handbook, also by the large size of this issue itself. We intended having an equal number of pages of reading matter and advertisements but circumstances compelled us to condense our reading pages. The advertisements are very interesting reading for those looking for bargains.

A number of Auction Sales will be found in this issue On most of these the bids close Feb. 15th but on account of our lateness we have requested that they be held open until Feb. 25th and those we have had time to hear from, have consented, so bidders can send bids until that date.

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Gone to The War

James F. Irwin, of St. Catharines, left with the second Canadian Contingent, for the war in South Africa. The ADVOCATE joins with his many friends in wishing him a safe voyage and a speedy return. His brother went with the first contingent.

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An Important Decision

Hon. Wm. Mulock, Postmaster-General, has made an important decision regarding the printing of cuts of stamps. The following letter has been received by us.

Ottawa, 22 Dec. 1899.

Gentlemen:—

With reference to your letter of 18th inst., I am directed to say that under section 86 of the Post Office act the *imitation* of any postage stamp issued or used by this or *any other country* is a criminal offence.

I am, Gentlemen your obedient servant,
W. D. LeSueur,
Secretacy.

This law is very strict; so strict in fact that we have been compelled to remove the very poor imitation of a Canada stamp which appeared on our cover design.

Some of our Canadian papers publish cuts of new issues but this will now have to be stopped.

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Special Notice

A large number of subscriptions expire with this number. If you are one of these you will know it by the number **41** appearing on your wrapper Your paper will be discontinued unless your renewal is received at once. Remember the subscription is only 25 cents and renewals or new subscribers are entitled to any premium mentioned on first page.

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Jots

Leon V. Cass, McGraw, N. Y. is preparing a directory of New York State collectors. Philatelists in this state should send their names for free insertion.

Look up Farr's Auction Sale an last page of cover.

As soon as the supply of map stamps now printed is exhausted, the issue will be discontinued. Collectors should buy now while the price is low.

H. A. Chapman's new paper the *Adhesive* has appeared. It is full of news and well printed. We offer it and the ADVOCATE both one year for 30c.

Our U. S. Correspondent has sent us two new envelope cancellations. One is from Detroit, Mich., marked "Letter Carriers National Convention" in oval with "1900"

Profitable Printing

One of the most important things in any business, no matter how small or how large, is neat, well printed and up-to-date printed stationery. We have no specialty of a certain grade of work. Ours is all good, catchy printing—the kind that pays. If you do not need any printing at present, keep these prices for your next order.

Cash must accompany all orders. 1 and 2 cent unused Canadian or American stamps taken. Express Orders preferred for large amounts.

100	Envelopes with your name printed on	25c
250	" " " " " "	55c
100	" better quality	35c
250	" " "	75c
100	" Duplex (blue inside)	50c
250	" " " "	$1.00
100	Note Heads	35c
250	" "	75c
100	Letter Heads	50c
250	" "	$1.00
100	Memo Heads on fine linen paper	35c
250	" " " " " "	75c
100	Circulars 2 × 3in 50 words or less 10c. 250	15c
100	" 3 × 5 " 125 " " " 20c. 250	30c
100	" 4 × 6 " 200 " " " 30c. 250	40c

Samples of the above sent free on request.

STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONTARIO.

in centre. The other is from St. Louis, Mo. with the words "World's Fair Louisiana Purchase," in oval and "1903" in center.

A D. P. A. officer sends the following poetry with apologies to Mother Goose.

A little Bach sparrow sat up in a tree
And he was as slick as a sparrow could be.
A philatelist came by with his bow and arrow,
Said he, "I will shoot this little Bach sparrow;
His giblets will make me a nice little stew
His body will make me a little pie too"
Said the little Bach sparrow, "I shall be nabbed if I stay,"
So he straightway enlisted and sailed away,
For the Boers with their guns had no such terrors for him,
As counterfeit Great Barrier stamps so grim.

The *Philatelic Spectator* of Berlin has been granted second class rates.

The *Post Office* and *Stamps* two papers in the U. S. have ceased publication for lack of support.

The *Georgia Philatelist* is announced from Tallapoosa, Ga. fst Feby 25th.

Just as our last forms were closing we received notic that the ADVOCATE has been appointed Official Organ of the Philatelic Literature Society. Every member will receive this number, but the first report will appear in February number.

Publishers thinking of discontinuing their journals would do well to get our terms for filling subscriptions.

We are informed that Miss A. L. Swift will conduct the review department of the *Jubilee Philatelist* in place of Mr. Chapman who wished more time to devote to his own paper.

We cannot promise you a paper like this every month but if you send 25c in Unused Canadian or American 1 and 2 cent stamps we will have a larger circulation and therefore secure more advertising. If you want to buy stamps at a reasonable price and get plenty of good educating reading send us your subscription and if you have a friend who would like to subscribe to the leading Canadian stamp journal, send us his name with your subscription.

One of the Canadian subscribers of the *Virginia Philatelist* has cancelled his subscription to that paper because the publisher objects to Great Britain adding "Another patch of red" to the "Vaster Empire than has been." For our part we think war has no place in a philatelic journal

The *Stamp Tribune* as a weekly has appeared. The cover is printed in two colors, and each issue contains a long non-philatelic story. The publisher has great expectations, but with the two good weeklies now well established the field is filled.

The Toronto Philatelic Club is again holding regular weekly meetings with an average attendance of 30 members. What is the matter with the Hamilton Club?

The Dominion Philatelic Association is the largest and most progressive society in Canada. Nearly all of its departments are in splendid working condition and a large number of members are using the departments as much as possible. One of the members says that good stamps can be bought far cheaper in the books of the Exchange Department than from some dealers. If you are not a member of this grand organization write to the Secretary. Geo. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont. for particulars and application blanks.

MY FOURTH SALE

Offers will be received for these stamps until February 25th.

Canada, Used.

No.
1. 500 1c green 4 leaf.
2. 200 1c " "
3. 50 3c red "
4. 25 2c purple "
5. 50 2c on 3c "
6. 25 5c blue "
7. 10 6c brown "
8. 500 1c green numeral.
9. 500 2c purple "
10. 150 3c red "
11. 25 ½c black "
12. 500 2c red "
13. 200 2c red "
14. 200 1c green "
15. 100 2c on 3c "
16. 15 8c "
17. 100 2c Imperial (map)
18. 1000 3c before Jubilee.
19. 25 8c " "
20. 25 5c " "
21. 100 2c orange register.
22. 100 2c vermillion "
23. 100 5c green "
24. 50 post cards, incl. Jubilee.
25. 25 Jubilee post cards.

All above are used.

Canada, Unused.

26. 25 Jubilee postcards (with printing on the back.)
27. 25 ½c old issue (small)
28. 12 3c red, numerals.
29. 12 2c Jubilee.
30. 25 2c red, Letter Card.
31. 25 2c on 3c 4 leaf
32. 25 2c on 3c numeral.

All above unused.

Foreign, etc.

33. Unused mixture, 8 3c Nflnd (Princess), 1 10c U. S. Special Del., ⅛, ⅝, ¼, 2½, 5c U. S. Rev., 5c U. S. postage due, 6 1 farthing Barbados.
34. *French 5 15fr, 2 5fr, 1 25fr
35. Robie's "Stamp Hunting."
36. 25 stamp papers.
37. 31 Native Indian State 6 var
38. 19 Newfoundl'd 3c (Princess)
39. 37 U. S. 25c Certificate.
40. 6 Enlarged fac-similes of 2c Imperial stamp 4½ × 7in.
41. $3.00 U. S. Documentary.
42. *Mexico 8 1c, 4 3c, 22 5c, 27 10c.
43. *Trinidad 2 1sh. 1 5p.
44. A collection of 2500 varieties mounted in blank album.
45. 2c Can. Purple Env. (rare.
46. 10 2c on 3c 1877 Envelope.
46. 100 3c Canada Jubilees.
47. *2 ½c Jubilees.

All above used unless otherwise stated.

*means unused.

Postage to be paid by purchaser. Successful bidders will be notified and stamps sent as remittance is received. U. S. or Canada stamps from 1c to 5c accepted as cash.

I have no stamps for sale except those I advertise.

MARY E. BISH, Waterloo, Ont.

Acknowledgements.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION Calendar for 1900 is unique in form and beautiful in design. The oval centerpiece, in high colors and enclosed in a border of flowers, represents "A Dream of Summer" and is supported by an admirably executed figure piece in delicate tints. Larger than any of the COMPANION'S previous Calendars, it is equally acceptable as a work of art. As an ornament to the home it will take a prominent place.

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Thirty-two authors, ten illustrators and eight photographic artists contribute to the excellent January issue of the LADIES HOME JOURNAL. Among the special features are "The Home-Coming of the Nakannies," by W. A. Fraser; "The Boer Girl of South Africa," by Howard C. Hillegas; "Where the New Century Will Really Begin," by J. Ritchie Jr.; "A Merry Woman's Letters to a Quiet Poet," edited by S. T. Pickard; "The Mother of the Stars," by Amelia H. Botsford; "A National Crime at the Feet of American Parents," by Edward Bok. "The Minister and the Organ," by Ian Maclaren; "The Rehearsal of a Play"; "Molly Donahues Musicale, by the author of "Mr. Dooley"; "Edith and I at Paris," "Her Boston Experiences," "The Autobiography of a Girl," etc. By the Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia, Pa. One dollar a year; 10c a copy.

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The Popular Music Co., Indianapolis, Ind., have favored us with copies of the music advertised on page 50. The music consists of the latest vocal and instrumental selections.

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We acknowledge receipt of a handsome colored calendar from Judson N. Burton, Madison, N. Y. He will send a copy to any one for 5c to help pay postage.

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Price lists have been received from the following:

S. P. Hughes, Howe, Neb.
C. B. Rice, Oswego, N. Y.
Judson N. Burton, Madison, N. Y.
W. Giessman, Saalfield and Saale, Thuringen, Germany.

A Talk About Stamps.

BY NORTH SIMCOE.

A member of the D. P. A. has objected to Reprints as not being genuine. I would imagine that all stamps issued by a Government, and used to pay for the carriage of letters, were genuine. The values to collectors vary according to the scarcity only. Take for instance the one penny red brown of G. B. 1840, catalogued by Scott at 2c used; reprinted 1854 cat. 6c; re-engraved 1854 cat. 50c; re-engraved again 1855 cat: $1.00. In other cases the later issues of a stamp may be very large and of course less valuable, but that does not prevent their being genuine.

The *Philatelic Post* from Smethport, Pa., has reached us. Like all new comers it is "Here to stay" (?)

Your Ad. Should be in our March No. It will pay you

1 inch 40c. 2 in. 85c. 3 in. $1.00.
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100 "	.25		2,000 "	2.50	

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100 "	.40.		2,000 "	3.25.	
500 "	1.50.				

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Dominion Philatelic Association.

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Secy's Additional Report.

APPLICATIONS.

Ralph S. Yager, 23 Cedar St., Oneonta, N. Y. Age 21, stamp dealer, refs. C. Bailey, Geo. W. Starnaman.

Dr. Ernest C. Heusler, Heusler, Posey Co., Ind. 47 physician, Starnaman Bros.

J. T. Ott, Floradale, Ont. 32 tailor Starnaman Bros.

Willie Dutton, Haliburton, Ont. 15, farmer, Edward Spurr, Fred Freeman.

A. E. Wideman, Port Arthur, Ont. 35, passenger conductor, H. R. Sanders, Geo. W. Starnaman.

J. P. Howard, 43 Duke St., Toronto, Ont. 17, clerk, E. B. MacGillivray, J. H. Lowe.

A. L. Watson, Minden, Ont. 15 student, R. H. Baker, M. Brown.

Prosper H. Neville, Minden, Ont. 28, clergyman, M. Brown, R. H. Baker.

C. H. Vrooman, McKenzie, Man. age 31, postmaster, Starnaman Bros., Rev. H. W. Ferrier.

The above will be admitted to membership Feb. 1st provided no objection is filed with the Secretary before that date.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

Fred B. Filsinger, Box 360, Waterloo, Ont.
H. E. Tuttle, Osage, Iowa.
W. H. McDowell, Box 323, Media, Pa.

Application of J. A. Romezo should read Chicago, Ill. instead of Newark, N. J.

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GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Sec'y,
Berlin, Ont.

Copy for March number must reach us by Feb. 20th.

When answering apvertisements be sure and mention this paper.

It will be to your benefit and ours too.

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Price list of all Canadian Revenues, Law, weights and measure stamps only.

I want a nice album for Canadian Rev., Law, weights and measures only.

Also an album for U. S. Revenues (all departments) only.

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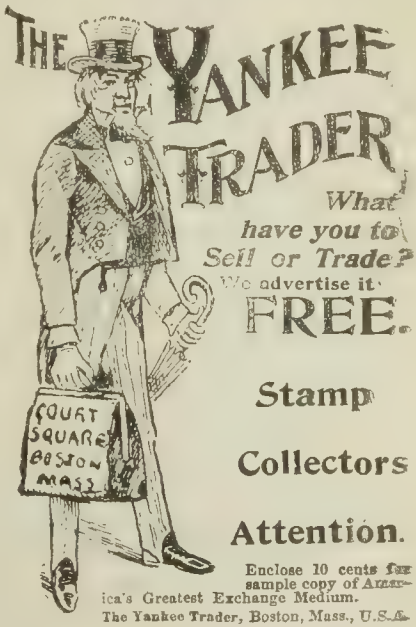
Numerals 6c, 8c and 10c.
Offers solicited.

Scott's albums can be had from me with enough and more discount to pay duty.

FRED FILSINGER, WATERLOO, ONT.



DEALERS want it for addresses to send Price Lists to.

PUBLISHERS find addresses to send samples to.

EXCHANGERS get names to exchange with.

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Advertisements.
Canadian Directory 1376 names.

The Directory is divided as follows:

Ontario has.....	1158	names.
Quebec has.....	104	"
New Brunswick....	7	"
Nova Scotia.....	58	"
British Columbia..	18	"
Prince Edward Island	3	"
Manitoba.....	23	"
Newfoundland.....	5	"

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No.
1. 3c old Canada 5,000
2. 1c old " 2,000
3. 2c old " 1,000
4. Newfoundland assorted 125
5. ½c small Canada 210
6. 5c beaver Can on covers 100
7. Soudan camel post unuse 50
8. Spain 20 var assorted 1000
9. Gremy's coin cat 15 copies
10. Perfect Stamp Hinges 25000
11. Excelsior hinges Eng 10000
12. 2c Can maple leaves 500
13. 1c " " " 500
14- 3c " " " 1000
15. 5c " " " 200
16. 8c " " " 100
17. Man. Law Stamps cat $1000
18. " " " " $50
19. Australia ½p black 500
20. Columbus 2c 2000
21. Canada Bill Stamps 500
22. Can 2c purple 5000
23. " 2c red 5000
24. " 2c Imperial map 1000
25. " " 500
26. " " 100
27. " ½c 41f sheets unused 200
28. " 3c figures 4000
29. " 2c on 3c 4 leaves 300
30. " 2c on 3c figures 300
31. " 2c on 3c mixed 1000
32. Mounted Sets retail $25.00
33. 2c Interior U. S. unuse 1000
34. 1000 Br. Colonies, asst
35. 100 50 var packets
36. 1000 Australian
37. *B. E1st Africa ¼a 25
38. Congo Free State 5c 50
39. * " " " 10c 25
40. * New Hebrides 1p 50
41. * Barbados Jub. ¼p 100
42. * " " ½p 25
43. * Liberia 1897 1c 100
44. * Mauritius arms 1c 100
45. * Soudan camel 1 mil 100
46. * " " 2 mil 100
47. Panama 1c 25
48. Sirmoor 3 pies 50
49. Chefoo ½c 50
50. Labuan '97 1c 50
51. Canada 2c purple figs 20000
52. " 8c figures 100
53. " 5c " 200
54. Entire sheet of 8 old Canada postcards unsevered, very unique.

All bids to be in by Feb. 18th 1900. Succesful bidders will be duly notified and must remit amount and stamps will be immediately forwarded to them by reg. mail. Stamps always bring a fair price, so do not bid a low price but bid on a few lots you really want, and bid what you think they are worth to you.

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Of all issues, in good condition and soaked from paper. Also cut square envelopes. I pay for

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1 " "	2	" "
2 " " red	2	" "
2 " " purple	3	" "
3 " "	5	" "
5 " "	30	" "
6, 8, and 10c numerals	70	" "
2c on 3c numerals	30	" "
2c on 3c maple leaf	65	" "
2c Imperial map	40	" "
½ cent maple leaf	40	" "
1 " "	10	" "
2 " "	20	" "
3 " "	3	" "
5 " "	40	" "
6 " "	$3.00	" "
8 " "	1.00	" "
10 " "	4.00	" "
1 " Jubilee	20	" "
2 " "	40	" "
3 " "	15	" "
5 " "	2.00	" "
5 " grey 1882-90 iss.	75	" "
6 " " "	25	" "
8 " slate "	10	" "
10 " red "	90	" "

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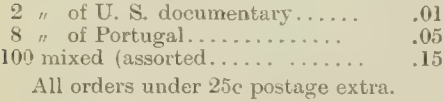

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He always travels under water when "possible. and never puts the last coat of mud plaster on his house until the severe cold weather sets in. In one family there are never more than four old ones and about six young ones. There is frequently found only one beaver in a locality, he is called an idler or bachelor, and has been left after his family have departed for new quarters or for some reason, best known to himself, been banished from his fellows. They live chiefly on a cabbage like plant found at the bottom of lakes

and rivers called *Nuphar Luteum*; also the bark of willow, poplar and birch trees. During the summer their menu is more varied, with berries for desert. His own flesh furnished a delicious dish for the Indians and early settlers. When roasted with the skin on, tasted much like pork.

One author gives some interesting facts concerning the teeth of the beaver "The front incisor teeth of each jaw have a sharp chisel-like edge, and are so formed as to preserve this through life. They consist of an outer layer of orange-colored enamel and a broad inner layer of a softer substance. As the creature gnaws, the softer material is worn away more rapidly than the enamel which thus protrudes in a sharp ridge. There is a continuous growth at the roots of those teeth to repair the constant waste that goes on at the cutting edge, so that if one of the incisors should be destroyed, the opposite tooth meeting with no check to its enlargement, will grow to an enormous length: and beavers have been found in which this growth had proved fatal by preventing the other teeth from coming together. The enamel is exceedingly hard; and until superseded by the English files, those teeth fixed in wooden handles, were used by the North American Indians in carving their weapons of bone."

There has been found in this country and Europe an extinct fossil species of the beaver very similar to the present species though much larger. The place that the beaver occupies on the 3p red 1851, and the 5c vermillion 1859 issues of the stamps of Canada is an appropriate one, as it is the national animal of that country.

When the fur of the beaver was used for hats, the animal came very near being exterpated but the use of silk and other material for "stove-pipe" hats has saved it so deplorable a fate.

The body of the beaver yields a substance called *castareum*. It has a bitter taste and slightly fœtid odor. It was formerly used as a remedy for hysteria, but is now only used in perfumes.

United States Minutes

BY USONA.

The Buffalo Exposition stamps are to be of the denomination 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, and 10 cents, and probably of the size as the current issue. The Postmaster General is now considering the designs, which may possibly be printed in two colors.

Fifteen and fifty cent stamps for Cuba is the next issue by Uncle Sam.

The surcharged stamps for that island have been called in, for distribution along with the newspaper and periodicals and the Omaha remainders. The only Omahas now on sale are at the Washington, D. C. office.

The government postoffice exhibit at the Paris exposition is to be quite a feature A postoffice in working order for the mail of American visitors, with all the latest labor and timesaving appliances will be the main attraction, though a museum eqhibit will also be sent. The Chief of the Division of Salary and Allowances of the First Assistant Postmaster General's office is in charge.

The Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, whose recognition of philately as a science has caused much pride on our part, is to have an exhibition of postage and revenue stamps from March 18 to 24th, 1900. This will be the second exhibiton

given to philately under the auspices of the Institute, the first one, in March of last year, having been a great success. The Institute has quite a respectable collection from donations and purchase, and gives periodical lectures by well known experts during the season.

Die C of the present series of envelopes was not listed by Scott in the 59th, but is now pretty generally recognized as a legimate variety. Its description is, "no band of ribbon around the queue," the flowing lines of the hair being clear and distinct the entire length of the neck.

Under the present internal revenue laws of the U. S., a physician who prescribes any alcoholic liquor not in combination with other drugs is a retail dealer, and as such is required to pay a special tax.

New Zealand Notes.

BY INVERTED WATERMARK.

The London Print of our New Issue is now all sold out. The Colonial Printing of the 2½d, 5d, 6d, and 2/ is on sale at most offices, the lower values have not appeared yet, and in the meantime only the issue with Queen's Head are to be obtained of the ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, and 1/ values. The stamps that have been issued are on unwatermarked paper and perforated 11.

On the 1st of December a series of postage due stamps were issued for this colony. The Set consists of the following values:—½d, 1d, 2d, 3d, 4d, 5d, 6d, 8d, 1/ and 2/. The design is very plain, the stamps are green with white centre, and figures of value in red. The Postal Department give notice that the stamps must not be sold unused, and that a fine of £50 will be enforced on anyone found guilty of disposing of them in such a condition. It is to be hoped this will have the desired effect, as stamps of this class should not be allowed to be used for other than their legitimate purpose.

New Zealand has issued a Series of illustrated Post Cards, the value is one penny. The Card is slightly larger than the previous one, and is printed in green, on the left hand bottom corner is a small picture. There are said to be 8 varieties.

Some of the adhesive postage stamps of Jamaica have been surcharged "Judicial" in black letters, for use in the payment of the fees of the local Courts.

The stamps surcharged are the 3d, 4d, 6d, 1/, 2/ and 5/ and the issuing of these surcharged stamps began on the 1st November. *L. Hutchings.*

Notes and Items.

Original or Otherwise.

BY A. BOOK WORM.

The officials of Deccan Hyderabad were very obliging some years ago and offered their stamps of all issues in any variety of color or of paper. These fancy impresions are of course no interest to the collector. Some dealers must have availed themselves of the opportunity, as I have met with some of this rubbish.

Of the 1860-66 issues of New South Wales, errors of impression have been chronicled, the five pence in deep blue, and the eight pence in red, on paper with the watermarks peculiar to those values; but inasmuch as both these varieties can be produced from certain shades of the normal colors by chemical agency, it seems probably that the specimens known are not genuine errors.

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To Correspondents—Owing to the enormous correspondence received in answer to my ad in ADVOCATE, I regret having to delay several answers.—H. G. Caddy, Wanganui.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS

Join the Dominion Philatelic Association

In this, and also in the preceding issue, there has been an unusually large number of applications for membership in the Dominion Philatelic Association. One fact, worthy of mention, is, that the applications are not secured by one or two members but by different ones each month which shows that all the members are enthusiastic and ambitious to secure more members for the society. The collectors are not joining, merely on account of some one asking them, but to take advantage of the various benefits extended to all members. All persons joining the association will be given a copy of the Official Handbook, receive the ADVOCATE free each month, and can take advantage of all the other benefits. One member in Hamilton, states that the stamps put on circuit by the Exchange Department are excellent specimens, and are sold very reasonably.

The condition of the society, financially and otherwise, will compare favorably with any association on the continent, and financially, it is far in advance of all other societies whose yearly dues are 25 cents. With a balance of $50.00 in the Treasury, and from fifteen to thirty applications each month, nothing more could be wished for by the officers. Any of the readers of the ADVOCATE who are not members but who wish to join, can get application blanks from the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Geo. W. Starnaman, Box 104, Berlin, Ont.

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On account of our lateness in January, we gave some of our work to a local printer, and we trust, therefore, that any errors in it will be overlooked. There was one

mistake in R. F. Maddigan's ad on page 51. In offer no. 2, in the second line after the word Canada should read ½c 1882-90.

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One of the boys on the *Jubilee Philatelist* staff, says that rumor has it, that Messrs Starnaman Bros., did not get out their 100 page issue. This shows that whoever wrote it knows nothing about what rumor says. We stated that we intended to issue a special 100 page issue to celebrate the 20th century, and if the writer will look up our promise he will see his mistake. Our success with the last issue has convinced us that we can issue a one hundred page issue Jan 1st 1901. For our part we know that rumor says, we issued a "larger number than has been," being the largest issue of any stamp journal for three years.

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The rush for the Official Handbook and Starnaman's Directory of Canadian Collectors has been simply enormous. We still have a number to sell at the following prices. One book 15c, two for 25c, five for 50c. We have hundreds of recommendations and it has more than satisfied all who received it. All orders sent postpaid. We accept one- and two-cent Canadian or U. S. postage stamps but prefer Express Order, money order or postal note. The Handbook contains 100 pages with illustrations of prominent collectors and list of names of over 1300 active Canadian collectors. It is truly the greatest book of the last year in the century. Many have said it is worth fifty-cents, and one collector said he would not take $1.00 cash for it if he could not obtain another. We will give the Handbook as a premium with the ADVOCATE at 25c to renewals or new subscribers.

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Official Organ—PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

Secretary's Report.

Ottawa, O., Jan. 23, 1900.

Fellow members:—

The *Stamp Tribune* having been changed from a monthly to a weekly, necessitates a change in Official Organ, so I take pleasure in presenting to you the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE. Several of the members owe their dues for 2 years. Here are their numbers. 1, 2, 5, 10, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27, 31. Those who owe for one year, 7, 8, 11, 12, 17, 24, 28, 29, 32. Those for 2 years please remit 50c at once. 1 year remit 25c. The society needs the money, and I would like to hear from all of you.

Mr Layman having resigned as Ex. Supt. I have taken his place and will endeavor to build the dept up. All interested in this will please communicate with me at their earliest convenience. Exchange sheets 5c each.

RESIGNATIONS RECEIVED.

A. E. Layman, Box 222, Piqua, Ohio.
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Yours fraternally,

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CORRECTION.

J. A. Romero, 1049 WolframSt., Chicago.

Last month two resignations were reported, but I am pleased that they have both been withdrawn.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$36.77.
Received for dues, etc.....	32.30.
	69.07.
Paid Official Organ	4.36.
" postage..	1.94.
" printing notices of dues (350)	.75
" D. P. A. Handbook (500)	8.00
" postage and wrappers for handbook.....	4.86
" Stationery.....	.25
Balance on hand.....	48.91
	69.07.

Pay your dues for 1900. All members who have not paid there dues (25 cents) must do so before March 1st. or they will be published as suspended and the Official Organ discontinued.

The applicants on page 72 will be admitted March 1st if no objections are filed with the Secy before that date.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

We acknowledge price lists from J. E. Handshaw, Smithtown Branch, N. Y. Tiffin Stamp Co., 160 Monroe St., Tiffin, Ohio.

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Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and Articles of Noted Writers Carefully Condensed.

BY GEO. W. STARNAMAN.

A very unique set of stamps, is the lottery stamps of Louisiana, being the only place in which a tax was placed on "chance." A full set consists of four stamps, two of 7½ cent and two 12½ cent value. The earlier set shows the Masonic emblems for a design and the latter the state arms.—E. R. Aidrich.

The review columns of some of our philatelic magazines are one uninterrupted succession of "very good number," "nice paper," "usual contents," etc. This is no way to review a paper, as always praising and never condemning, however much it may be needed, is not reviewing.—Gordon C. Corbaley.

What is more agravating to a collector than to receive a sample copy of a paper several months old. Acting on the assumption that it is a late issue, the columns are eagerly perused, and the advertisements scanned for bargains. Then the discovery that he has been reading stale news, and advertisements from which the bargains have long been withdrawn, will truly raise his ire.—Ed. H. Wilkinson.

There are many reasons why a single corporation is unqualified to regulate the market value of all stamps. The holdings of a single company and the comparative demand for particular stamps held by that company would essentially differ considerably from the supply of and the demand for stamps held by other dealers. The catalogue is a useful guide in the study of stamps but it cannot be depended upon as uniformly correct.—Edmund L. Smiley.

Specialists say "You cannot collect everything; or at least if you try to you will never approach completion." To this I say that neither can the specialist, unless his ambition is so small that he is content with a very meagre group. Where are the rarities to come, unless, indeed, the specialist is a veritable Crœsus.—Joe F. Burnett.

Do not be afraid to ask for stamps, nor to ask anybody for the privilege of looking over their old correspondence for stamps and envelopes. It is in this manner that the greater number of rarities are turned up, and added to the collectors' stock of the world.—S. A. D. Cox.

Have you heard anything drop recently? (March 20th 1898). I have. Nothing more or less than the prices of Canadian half-cent jubilees, and what a. d. s. t. it must seem like, to those holders who have paid from 25 to 40 cents each for this stamps. The last quotation I noticed was 20 cents, but don't get anxious the price will go still lower.—Willard O. Wylie.

(They are now advertised at 15 cents by many dealers. Ed.)

United States' Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

A few more surcharged cards and envelopes for the Philippines are the only issues for the month, the one and two cent values in the cards and one cent envelope, green on white, all with the name of the colony below the stamp.

The books of stamps spoken of some time since, are now announced for issue in may next. They will contain stamps to the value of 24, 48, and 96 cents, 2 cent denomination only at present, and will cost one cent each to the public.

The question of advertising postmarks is receiving a good deal of attention at the department now; a firm which is "booming" a town in California has submitted a request to be allowed to insert in the cancelling stamp of the office a notice booming the town, and cites as precedents the various postmarks which have been chronicled from time to time. It will hardly go, however. The St. Louis-Louisiana Purchase World's Fair is in a "fair" way to be abandoned, the promoters counted upon getting a $5,000,000 appropriation from congress to help out, and the House Committee has, so far, looked askance at the request. If this postmark business does begin to go through, the collecting of these may take a little start. Personally, I consider a collection of postmarks as the last resort of someone without useful employment, but there are always some people who will collect something no one else wants, as old bottles, corks, or postmarks. Stick to stamps, they have a solid foundation of actual interest and educational value.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., of New York and Drew & Co., of Boston, are to hold some sales of fine collections in March and April. The Deat's collection of U. S. Revenues to be sold by the Scott Co., is practically complete. Other dealer's hold auctions, but do not make announcements sufficiently far in advance to receive notice in a monthly. Next month I hope to submit a few remarks on "Auctions as I Have Found Them." As a note, Just now I'm busy finding them.

A one cent per ½ ounce rate for domestic first class matter is a possibilty.

Mekeel's Weekly has absorbed the *Post Office*, the house organ of J. C. Morgenthau of New York.

The engraving of the names of large cities on their stamps, has been spoken of before in these notes, but there now appears to be an immediate possibility of it being done as an experiment. Until it is finally adopted, it will be well for collectors to hang on to these engraved stamps for if the scheme is abandoned they will be interesting curiosities. There are already quite a number of varieties of different printed cancelled stamps now in use, by large cities where certain firms have large quantities of circulars or catalogues to send out. I have them on 1, 2, 3 and 4 cent values for various cities.

Any ADVOCATE readers who receive offers of grilled U. S. issues at 50% off catalogue price, from Los Angeles, Calif., had better "make haste slowly." A "bach" case is reported from there by the *American Journal of Philately*.

John C. Rice, of Hornellsville, N. Y., who was reported as a fraud, has moved very suddenly and left no change of address.

Notes on Canadian stamps

BY W. STERLING PURVIS,

As our long-lived 1869 issue became obsolete about the same time as the Jubilee issue, the stamps of the old set received very little attention from speculators. Of course the 3 cent red 1869 is our commonest stamp used, but how many are there unused? Very few, I should say, except those included in complete sets. So don't reject them unused, as they are bound to rise.

Quite recently, I obtained all the stamps from one of the most extensive general mercantile businesses in Nova Scotia. The stamps were all received during the last few months, and will give a very fair idea of the proportion in which the several issues of 2 cent stamps have been used. For each maple leaf there was one lavender Imperial, one light green Imperial, two dark green Imperials and forty seven numerals.

The above will show how few (if any—Ed.) were reprinted and used. This lot actually contained seven varieties of the Imperial stamps.

Since the first of the year most papers have had something to say against the split provisionals that were used by some postmasters when the 2 cent letter-rate came into force. They all tell us that the government disclaims any authority for their use. Show that there use was not absolutely necessary, before they are termed "fakes" and the result of collectors' genius.

On January 3rd, an envelope came into my possession prepaid with one half a 3 cent stamp and one half a 1 cent stamp and mailed at a town not far from my own place of residence, so I decided to have an interview with the post master. This is his story. "I received a telegram saying that the 2 cent letter rate would go into force at 12 p. m. December 31, 1898. I had over 1000 three cent, about 200 one cent and only 50 two cent stamps. I at once wrote for 2 cent stamps, but long before they came my supply was exhausted and I knew if I used the 1 cent they would soon follow suit, so the only thing I could do was to split the 3 and 1 cent. Before doing this I communicated with all the neighboring offices but was informed that they had barely enough 2 cent stamps to last until their supply came, or they would have to split three's and one's like myself."

Philatelic Notes.

BY JOHN PELZ.

Although the Spanish War stamps are no longer listed and priced by Scott, I think that the majority of collectors would like to see them reinstated shortly in the Standard Catalogue, as there are many philatelists who still collect them.

I recently discovered two very distinct type vatieties of the 1853-60 twenty cent blue on bluish, of France. The chief differences are these: Type I.—The curled ribbon at sides inside the frame are formed of one line. The letter "T" in Postes is of uniform size as the other letters in this word, the circles around the head in frame do not touch the outer circle in white. Type II.—The curled ribbons are formed of two lines. The "T" in Postes is larger than the other letters. The circles around the head touch the outer circle in white.

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

Our last few issues have contained a large percentage more advertisements than reading matter, and we think an explanation is due our subscribers. Although we have received no complaints, we do not intend to continue in this way. As soon as we can catch up with our work, we intend to give more reading matter to make up for the deficiency of the present issues.

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The attention of our readers is called to the three page ad of G. A. Holland. This ad was offered to a Canadian philatelic publisher who is a dealer, but he refused it—the prices were so low he could not compete with them. ADVOCATE readers and advertisers get the benefit of its publishers not dealing in stamps.

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Mr. Hew R. Wood has decided to give up stamp dealing for the present, and devote his time to his collection of British North America.

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We wish a large number of good articles on stamps. No "Philately a Science" articles wanted.

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In the Feby *Jubilee Philatelist*, dealers are advertising ¼c, 2½c and 9c Canadian stamps. Are these new issues or is it the printer's fault?

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That Montreal youth, who "writes for twelve different philatelic papers, (that is, writes a few notes, then says them over in twelve different forms) says in the Feby *Herald Exchange*, (received Feb. 16.) that our December No was not out yet. A few days later, in another paper, he reviews our December No. and mentions articles that appeared in our Jany No. Our Dec. No. was mailed Dec. 1st., Jan. No. on Jan. 31st., Feb. No. on Feb. 10th and before this great writer reads these lines, the March No. will be mailed. Wake up Mr. Holmes and find out which month you are living in. You will probably find too that Canada has now five stamp papers instead of four as you say, and three are published in Berlin and only one in Montreal.

The D. P. A. is still booming despite the fact that Mr. C. T. Reno says in the *Collector* that the S. of P. is the only society that gives the benefits to its members. Mr. Reno certainly shows his ignorance about the D. P. A. and a number of other societies. The S. of P. seems by no means lively, while the membership of the D. P. A. and the condition of the society shows that it is in the pink of condition.

The *Herald Exchange*, of New York City, has been consolidated with the *Allegeny Philatelist*, which will now contain a German department conducted by M. Tausig. The demise of the *Herald Exchange* makes ths third stamp paper which has been given up during 1900 in New York City. The ADVOCATE wonders if there are any more to follow.

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The minimum age limit will be 18 years, and a yearly fee of 25c will be charged. The association will meet on the first Friday of each month, and the ADVOCATE will act as Official Organ.

The following officers were appointed.
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The biographies to accompany the above cuts appeared on page 37 of January issue. the cuts were intended for that issue but were unintentionally ommitted.

Acknowledgements.

We acknowledge receipt of the following: Chicago Philatelic Society Auction Sale. Price list from Farr and Gray, Somerville, Mass.

See Our Premium List on first page.

10c Canadian Bargains.

No.	Order by number of lot.			
14.	25	Canada	½c	Numeral
15.	200	"	1c	"
16.	250	"	2c	" red
17.	15	"	2c Maps	shades
18.	25	"	3c Jubilee	
19.	8	"	2c on 3c 4 leaf	
20.	10	"	2c on 3c numeral	
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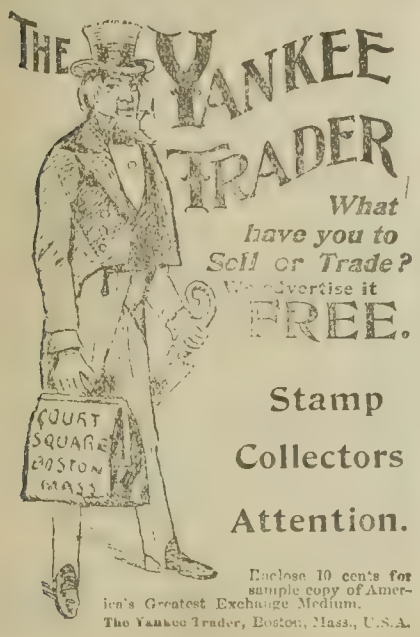

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Secretary's Report.

Fellow Members:

Although I made the request that all members remit their dues at once, in last month's official journal, there are not many who have done so. We are now trying very hard to build up the different departments of the Society, and if we do not have the support of all the members we will not be able to do so. If each member will get two new members we will soon be on our feet again and will have everything in running order. I will send any one application blanks upon request, and hope to receive many such requests. I should be pleased to hear from all members.

CASH REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

On hand last report	$ .71.
Dues and fees	.85.
	1.56.

EXPENDITURES.

Secy postage	.48.
Balance on hand	1.08.
	1.56.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

L. T. Brodstone.

Yours fraternally

Chas. F. Frey, Ottawa, Ohio.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

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President's Report.

To the Members,
Dominion Philatelic Association.
Dear Sirs:—

Re Revision of the Constitution. Certain matters connected with the existing Constitution and By-Laws having been brought to my attention, and the desirability of certain changes having been advocated, I take this opportunity of advising you that I have appointed the Trustees a committee for the purpose of receiving from members, their views as to any changes they may deem advisable. These views will be fully considered by this committee and who will submit their report at the next convention of the association for adoption or otherwise, as the members in session may consider in the interests of our association.

All members desiring to suggest changes are directed to communicate with Mr. Charles Bailey, Chairman of Trustees, 85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont.

Yours very truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE,
President.

Secretary's Report.

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435. J. P. Bartlett, Melbourne, Que.
436. H. R. Smith, Box 338, Sarnia, Ont.
437. Alex Mitchell, Hamilton, Ont.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

J. Scott Levy, Pickering College, Pickering, Ont. Age 16. student. Refs. Os. Hardwell, J. Georges.

J. W. Morrison, 6 Roland Place, Toronto, Ont. 19, operator. Geo. E. Davenport W. T. Skill.

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Azzie Sollars, Bluegrass, Ill. Mary Ingersoll, Geo. W. Starnaman.

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Eden Kinzie, Roseville, Ont. 13, student. Starnaman Bros.

C.A.Reber, 349 Hamilton St., 18, Allentown, Pa. G. W. Starnaman, C. T. Reno.

E. A. Sinclair, Oakville, Ont. 17, drug clerk. Starnaman Bros, John R. Beyers.

Chas. H. Cheney, Berkely, Calif. 16, student. Walter N. Lester, Chas. Koch.

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Servio Tulio Romero, Amo, Honduras, C. A. 20, stamp dealer. Chas. Bailey, Josie L. Runiv.

W. L. Clark, Port Townsend, Wash. 34, Agt. Transp. Co's. Hiram Gough, D. M. Fish.

Ernest Stirtan, Nanaimo, B. C. 15. Hiram Gough, J. W. Stirtan.

The above will be admitted to membership Mar. 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

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RESIGNATION.

J. H. MacFie, London, Ont.

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All members who have not paid their dues before Mar. 15th will be announced as suspended in April official Organ. The dues are only 25c and the benefits are worth many times that price.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$48.91.
Received for dues, etc.....	17.55.
	66.46.
Paid Official Organ	4.86.
" pstg on mem. cards, hdbks, etc	2.22.
" 2000 application blanks.....	2.75.
" 1450 Letter Hds, 500 Envelopes	5.00.
" Dunning delinquent members	.73.
Balance on hand.....	50.90.
	66.46.

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51.	2 Gibraltar ½p	
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58.	25 Australia	.15
61.	414 assorted foreign mounted	2.00
76.	Canada Officially sealed fine	1.00
77.	17 Quebec & Ont. laws asst	.50
78.	11 var Nova Scotia bills	1.00
79.	16 " Canada 3rd issue bill	.25
80.	10 " Brazil 1894 unused	.90
81.	16 " U. S. doc revs.	.45
83.	4 " Ecuador '93 sur Telegrafos	.70
84.	4 each Cuba 1898 1c, 2c, 3c,	.20
85.	5 var. U. S. dues '94	.25
86.	7 " U. S. Omaha	.40
87.	74 Reprints cat 4.84	2.50
88.	1500 well assorted foreign	1 00
90.	Canada 2nd bill 8c scarlet	.35
91.	" " " 30c "	.25
92.	" 20—½c 1882	.15
93.	" 50c blue 1892	.20
94.	" 10 Jubilee 1c	.15
95.	" 5 " 2c	.10
96.	" 25 " 3c	.15
97.	" 25 four leaf ½c	.25
98.	" 50 " " 1c	.20
99.	" 50 " " 2c	.25
100.	c 50 " " 3c	.10
101.	" 20 " " 5c	.20
102.	" 100 numeral ½c	.30
103.	" 500 " 1c	.20
104.	" 100 " 2c purple	.10
105.	" 500 " 2c	.20
106.	" 100 Numeral 3c	.10
107.	" 100 " 5c	.35
108.	" 100 maps assorted shades	.50
109.	" 20 2c on 3c leaf	.30
110.	" 25 2c on 3c numeral	.20
111.	130 New Zealand 1898, 3 var.	.50
112.	70 " " 1895, ½p news	.20
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6 Br. Guiana	14 Norway
3 Br. Honduras	5 Orange Free State
10 Bulgaria	6 Persia
20 Canada	7 Peru
7 Cape Good Hope	15 Portugal
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8 Costa Rica	9 Queensland
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10 Egypt	10 Servia
10 Finland	7 S. African Rep.
20 France	15 Spain
20 Germany	18 Sweden
4 Thurn and Taxis	9 " official
10 Greece	7 " Unpaid
6 Guatemala	15 Switzerland
6 Guinea	3 Tobago
4 Hayti	7 Trinidad
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Blank Albums.

BY STOKES.

Collectors who have a fondness for the stamps of a certain country or countries, naturally endeavor to obtain as many stamps of that country as possible. In gathering these they are liable to discover varieties in color, paper, perforations, watermarks, etc. for which no set spaces will be found in the printed albums—for instance, there are over one hundred and thirty varieties of postage stamps of Canada, the International album (which claims to include all varieties of postage stamps) there are spaces for only eighty five different Canada. Of course there are blank pages in the more expensive albums, but when varieties of various dates are mounted thereon it presents a very patchy appearance. It is evident therefore, that the printed albums are of little use to the true specialist, who is forced to seek the blank one.

If you intend to specialize successfully it is necessary to obtain one of these; some dealers have them in stock, but if you are not acquainted with any, the perusal of philatelic advertisements, or upon enquiry to the publisher, you will readily obtain addresses of such. A competent bookbinder can turn out a good album ranging in price from three dollars up. Of course for the more expensive ones a better quality of material must be used, which point must be considered if you intend keeping your album for any number of years.

It is advisable to obtain an album with the pages ruled with very pale ink into small squares about three sixteenths of an inch in width. This will greatly aid in spacing off and also provides a good background.

In reference to spacing, consult two or three catalogues to obtain as large a list as possible, then space accordingly. The pages can be ruled or dotted into blocks or strips of squares (allowing about ⅛ inch around each stamp) or an occasional fancy design, adds greatly to the appearance of the album; for instance, an issue of Canadian could be nicely arranged in a faintly tinted maple leaf (the maple leaf issue would be very suitable); the diamond Jubilee issue would be appropriately arranged in a diamond.

A short time ago I had the pleasure of looking over a collection of British Colonies mounted on sheets of white cardboard, but being unbound, great care was necessary to avoid damaging the stamps.

The stamps of British North America, and British West Indies, are the choice of many Canadian specialists, which countries make a total of nearly one thousand varieties. If this is considered too many, British North America is the next choice with varieties numbering nearly one hundred and fifty.

By being constantly on the lookout for

varieties which have no set space in the printed albums, the collector's faculty for minute observation receives excellent training.

The blank album plays another important part in the philatelic world, namely for the mounting of entires this being the only way of collecting these, as the printed albums only provide space for envelopes and wrappers, which have to be ruined by cutting to get them on their allotted space.

In closing I must state that the beauty of having but one or two issues to the page instead of five or six must be seen to be appreciated.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

No legitimate issues from the United States for the month, but plenty of speculative cards and envelopes for Porto Rico and Cuba. The 1 and 2 cent on blue for Cuba are new, the same on buff and white are merely a fresh supply. One million 2 cent and 500,000 1 cent stamps have been surcharged "Puerto Rico" and sent on, also a supply of 2 and 5 cent envelopes. Stamps with the former method of spelling will be good investments at current rates.

From *Mekeel's*:—"Some men live in dread of the day when their wives find out how much money they really spend for stamps." Very true, I don't want *my* wife to know the catalogue value of my collection.

The Post Office Department states that a great deal of badly addressed mail intended for points in the United States gets to Havana, Cuba, and that letters for Cebu, P. I., also get to the Havana office.

The pneumatic tube delivery system is to have a trial in Chicago, if Postmaster Gordon's suggestions are adopted. He has submitted plans for a line of 19.40 miles, to connect seven existing postal stations and a railroad depot, and later two more stations are to be established. The tubes are to be sixteen inches in diameter, to hold a No. 3 canvas pouch, and the motive power recommended is compressed air. The districts to be served cover a combined area of thirty square miles and have an approximate population of 60,000 people. In one place there will be a straight line for more than one mile.

There has always been something peculiarly fascinating to me in the acquiring of stamps through auction sales, and my own collection has been mostly gathered in by that method. Twenty years ago when starting collecting, my general collection was built up by packets, but the duplicates accumulated and my ardor waned in proportion as none of my friends had a collection. In 1896, locating in a philatelic community, my books were brought out, and a dozen cards were written to auction managers for catalogues, and since then auctions have been my source of supply. The first thing discovered was that there are "autions and auctions," to use a popular expression. Some of the mail auctions are woeful affairs, the managers do not seem to know the meaning of auction. For instance the following note was sent me after a without reserve mail auction, "Sorry, but this was the only lot on which your bid could be accepted." My bids were about current prices, and the answer clearly showed the affair to be a sale and no auction. On the other hand many of the mail auctions are good places to pick up nice lots.

Two more papers gone—*Buckeye Philatelist* and the *Moline Stamp News*—Cause, failure to secure second class rates.

Jas. F. Stickney, who used to advertise $1.00 Columbian stamps for 35c, from Tallapoosa, Georgia, is again to the the front as the secretary of a Golden Days Club, and is advertising in that paper.

Our correspondent has favored us with a copy of a bill introduced to congress by Mr. McMillan "to prevent robbing the mail, to provide a safer and easier method of sending money by mail, and to increase the postal revenues."

The bill provides that fifty million dollars in U. S. notes of larger denominations than ten dollars be replaced with the same amount in fractional notes, to be known as U. S. postal check notes in denominations of 5, 10, 15, 25 and 50 cents. The dimensions shall be 4 inches long by 2¼ inches wide. The $1, $2 and $5 checks shall contain space wherein to affix a 2 cent stamp which must be cancelled in ink with the initials of the sender. Each fractional note must contain space for a 1 cent stamp to be cancelled in same manner. They shall also contain space for name and address of payee. The checks will be something like the Canadian postal note except that in Canada the commission is paid at the postoffice instead of affixing a stamp.

The bill was read twice and referred to the Committee of Postoffices and Post-Roads.

The Loud Bill to regulate the mailing of second class matter has also been referred to the same committee with several amendments. This bill has been a terror to publishers for many years. As amended it provides that publishers pay one cent per pound for papers to bonafide subscribers, and the sending of sample copies is regulated as follows: not more than half as many samples may be sent as to subscribers and not more than 500 sample copies of one issue.

Complaints have recently been made to the Department of the shipment through the mails of skunk pelts, which gave out and transmitted to the mail which was in the sack with them a very offensive odor, making it impossible for the clerks in the office of destination to distribute it until it had been exposed to the air for some time.

In view of this it is deemed necessary to call attention of all postmasters to Section 330, paragraph 3, page 134, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1893, in which it is specifically stated that any article exhaling a bad odor is prohibited from being transmitted through the mails.

Our English Letter.

CONTRIBUTED BY ANGLICANUS.

The boom in the Transvaal and Orange Free State has relapsed somewhat, as collectors realize that the prices are being forced by speculators.

Mr. Jones, for many years shop manager at Stanley Gibbons Co., has started on his own account and has a suite of offices near the defunct Harry Hilckes & Co. This gentleman with his experience of London trade should make an instantaneous success.

Dealers report that the higher values of Rhodesia are becoming scarce. This is the result of the war as business in South

Africa is stagnant at present.

At a recent sale of Ventom, Bull and Cooper, many high prices were realized notably Canada 12d unused, full gum £101; 7½ green unused £9, U. S. 1869, 24c inverted center £36; U. S. 1869 30c inverted center £96.

After a short but bright career, the *Stamp Collector's Guardian* has ceased to exist. Mr. McMillan having turned over his paper to the *Fortnightly*.

We hear a new paper will be issued by Mr. F. Melville; it is to be called *The Junior Collector*.

The 200 reis Brazil now appears in the color of the 500, a dark blue. The 1p Gold Coast of the new type has also made its appearance this week. Amongst the most handsome stamps we have ever seen, we must certainly place the new issue Tasmania 1d rose and 2d violet. They are very handsome and much resemble the British Guiana issue.

The War Fund raised by the London philatelists is expected to reach £1000.

Canada's Minor Varieties.

BY LEON V. CASS.

The collector desiring minor varieties should take up the stamps of Canada. There can be found shades, varieties of paper, watermarks, etc., enough to satisfy the most ardent minor variety crank.

The very first issue can be found on laid paper, thick and thin wove paper, and the 3p on ribbed paper.

The ½c pink of 1857 can be found on on wove and ripbed paper as also the 3p red perforated 12, and perforated 14.

The 1c pink of 1859 can be found on wove and ribbed paper and imperforate.

The 5c vermillion can be found imperforate, on ribbed paper, with the circle broken and in three shades.

The 10c 1859 is to be had in five different shades and imperforate.

The 2c, 12½c and 17c of '59-64 can be found perforated and imperforated. The issue of 1868 comes perforated 12 and 11½ × 12; there are from two to four shades of all values also. The stamps can also be found watermarked.

The 1c, 3c and 15c come on laid as well as wove paper.

The 1c yellow of 1869 comes in 3 shades, watermarked and imperforate.

The issues of 1869 to 1890 come in a great variety of shades, and the ½c, 2c and 3c can be had imperforated. Nearly all values can be found on ribbed paper. The 2c of 1872 can be found cut diagonally and used as 1c and the ½c black is to be found on thick paper. The 8c is probably to be found in the greatest variety of shades running from nearly black to greyish lilac. There are but few varieties of the Jubilee issue. The celebrated "Maple Leaf" issue is also pretty free from minor varieties. The only ones I call to mind being the ½c on thick and thin paper and in two shades. The 2c purple can be found in two shades.

The 1898 numeral issue is also free, as yet, from minor varieties with the exception of the 2c which comes in 4 shades.

The Christmas "Map" stamps can be found in six shades, viz: lavender, blue, light blue, blue green, light grey-green and dark blue. The registration stamps come in the following varieties: 2c orange, 2c vermillion, 2c scarlet, also imperforated. The 5c comes in 3 shades and imperforted. The 8c blue comes in two shades. There may be a few more varieties.

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and the Stamp Reporter.
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As will be noticed by the D. P. A. reports, nominations are called for the various offices. In sending nominations members should remember those who have worked for the society. The D. P. A. is in a very prosperous condition and collectors should join now. Members get the official organ free, have the use of one of the finest exchange departments in existence; they can sell their duplicates through the Auction department; and secure various other benefits. The cost is 10c initiation fee and 25c per year dues. Subscribers to this paper who become members are entitled to two copies of the ADVOCATE. Those who join and are not subscribers receive one copy but are not entitled to premiums. For application blanks address Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

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The *Weekly Stamp Tribune* has been consolidated with the *Allegheny Philatelist.*

The *Philatelic Post* is announced in one paper to appear as a 40 page monthly, and in another paper as a weekly. We wonder what it really will be when it appears.

The Easter *Ladies Home Journal* was one of the best numbers of that paper for some time. To every branch of activity which concerns the home maker, the April Journal brings helpful suggestions or advice. By Curtis Publishing Co., Philadelphia. 10c a copy.

In the ad offering combined rates for *Enery* and ADVOCATE read ½ page $1.50 instead of $1.00.

The present half penny red stamps of England, are to be substituted by a new stamp, green in color, are to be issued to the public this month. They will be followed by a new shilling stamp.

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Secretary's Report.

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455. Ernest Stirtan, Nanaimo, B. C.

The above will receive their membership cards on payment of their dues to Jan. 1st amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Alpheus St John, St. Catharines, Ont., age 14, student, Refs. Geo. Bradley, Geo. W. Starnaman.

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MEMBERSHIP CARDS.

I am sorry that a number of members have had to wait for their membership cards, but as the plates for printing were delayed, I could not get them as soon as was expected. They will be sent as soon possible.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF 1900 DUES.

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The above may be reinstated on payment of dues to Jan. 1st 1901, 25c.

Applicants on page 102 will be admitted Apr. 25th provided no objection is filed with the Sec'y before that date.

Nominations.

According to Art. X. Sec. 2 of the Constition, it now becomes my duty to call for nominations for officers, also for convention seat for 1901. All nominations must reach me **before Apr 25th.** Nominations must be made according to Art. X, Sec. 2, page 14 Handbook.

The convention will be held in St. Catharines on July 2nd and 3rd.

NAMES OMMITTED FROM HANDBOOK.

127. J. H. Lowe, Toronto, Ont.
294. G. T. Whitman, Waterville, N. S.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$50.90.
Received for dues, etc.	13.15.
	64.05
Paid Official Organ	4.87.
" postage.....	.74.
" Engraving Membership Cards	5.50.
" Dunning delinquent members	1.26.
Balance on hand	51.68.
	64.05.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Exch. Supt. Report.

Feilow Members:

I have not the time to make a detailed report this month, but will say that the Dept. was never in a better condition than it is to-day.

Some time ago I received a book from B. L. Voorhees, Blue Island, Ill., containing stamps at fair prices to the value of $11.58. After being circulated it was returned to him *with sales of $9.29 or over 80%*. Have done nearly as well with some other books. Would be pleased to hear from either buyers or sellers.

SPECIAL REPORT.

No books of stamps will be received by the Dept. after April 30th, as it is desired to get this season's business closed up before the annual convention.

E. L. SHOVE, Unionville, N. Y.

18th D. P. A. Auction.

Bids must be in by 25th. Rules free

Lot No.	*unused.	Reserve.
14.	606 Good Foreign, mounted	
51.	2 Gibraltar ½p	
55.	85 Argentine 5c	25
58.	25 Australia	15
61.	414 assorted foreign mounted	2.00
76.	Canada Officially sealed, fine	1.00
77.	17 Quebec and Ont. laws asstd	.50
78.	11 var. Nova Scotia bills	1.00
79.	16 " Canada 3rd issue bill	.25
80.	10 " Brazil 1894 unused	.90
81.	16 " U. S. Doc. Revs.	.45
83.	4 " Ecuador '93 sur Telegrafos	.70
84.	4 each Cuba 1898, 1c, 2c, 3c	.20
85.	5 var. U. S. Dues '94	.25
86.	7 " " Omaha	.40
87.	74 Reprints cat 484	2.50
88.	1500 well assorted	1.00
90.	Canada, 2nd bill 8c scarlet	.35
91.	" " " 30c "	.25
92.	" 20—½c 1882	.15
93.	" 50c blue, 1892	.20
94.	" 10 Jubilee 1c	.15
95.	" 5 " 2c	.10
96.	" 25 " 3c	
97.	" 25 four leaf ½c	.25
98.	" 50 " 1c	
99.	" 50 " 2c	
100.	" 50 " 3c	
101.	" 20 " 5c	.20

102. Canada 100 numeral ½c .30
103. " 500 " 1c .20
104. " 100 " 2c purple .10
105. " 500 " 2c .20
106. " 100 " 3c .10
107. " 100 " 5c .35
108. " 100 maps assorted shades .50
109. " 20 2c on 3c leaf .30
110. " 25 2c on 3c numeral .20
111. 130 New Zealand 1898, 3 var. .50
112. 70 " " 1895, ½p news .20
113. 25 U. S. Prop. Rev.
114. 500 mixed foreign .25

Bid Early. R. S. MASON, Auction Mgr.
Hamilton, Canada.

Convention Date

Fellow Members:

We have decided on July 2nd and 3rd as the most suitable dates for the convention. We can promise you a good time. Signed on behalf of St. Catharines members.

R. G. WIDDICOMBE. G. BRADLEY.

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Fellow members;—

Not having received the amount of dues I should have received I wish to say that next month I will publish a list of those who will be dropped from membership. I have one application for membership this month and expect more next month. Following are the reports:

CASH REPORT.

On hand last report $1.08
Received since last report..... .25
No expenditures ——
Total on hand 1.33

RESIGNATION RECEIVED.

A. E. Layman, Piqua, Ohio.

APPLICATION.

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Cuba, 1898 2c red unueed	4c
Italy 20 varieties	9c
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Stamps on approval 50% dis., reference.

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1890 complete.....	50c
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3. 95 unused 3c red 1877 envelope
4. 1 unused 50c Jubilee
5. 52 5c issue before Jubilee.
6. 100 2c Imperial (maps)
7. 100 3c Jubilee
8. 95 5c four maple leaf
9. 114 ½c numerals
10. 500 3c numeral
11. 100 maple leaf surcharge 2c on 3c.
12. 100 numeral surcharge 2c on 3c.
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14. 750 2c purple numeral.
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"	5c	"	35c		
"	6c	"	$1.00		
"	8c	"	60c		
"	10c	"	$2.00		
"	15c	"	4.00		
Jubilee	1c	"	60c		
"	2c	"	$2.00		
"	3c	"	30c		
"	5c	"	4.00		
Leaves	½c	"	75c		
"	1c	"	15c	per 1000	1.25
"	2c	"	25c	"	2.00
"	3c	"	12c	"	1.00
"	5c	"	$1.25		
"	6c	"	5.50		
"	8c	"	2.25		
"	10c	"	8.00		
Numeral	½c	"	50c		
"	1c	"	5c	per 1000	40c
"	2c	"	5c	"	30c
"	2c	" purple	10c	"	70c
"	3c	"	8c	"	60c
"	5c	"	75c		
"	6c	"	2.50		
"	8c	"	2.50		
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South African Stamps.

BY ED STEPHENSON.

There have been at different periods, fifteen stamp issuing colonies, republics and protectorates in South Africa. Several have ceased to exist as such, being absorbed into others.

Pending the formation of a Dominion of South Africa (which will follow the defeat of the Boers) and the purchase of Lourenzo Marquez by the British, every one of these provinces would be consolidated into one, with one issue of stamps. Should victory rest on the arms of the Boers, the same calamity will follow. Naturally, knowing this, every philatelist is after these issues before they are exhausted or replaced. Already Cape Colony has issued a new issue. As they will last till the termination of the war only, collectors had better secure all they can of this issue.

As everyone is interested in South Africa just now, I have taken some pains to prepare the following tables. A glance at the third will reveal a fair estimate of the relative value of the stamps.

Table showing the number of varieties and sub-varieties in each of the provinces.	Adhesives.		Envelopes.		Relative values		Highest
Name of Colony or Republic.	Varieties	Sub varieties	Varieties	Sub varieties	of the latest issue of a penny stamp or its equivalent in each prov. (unused)		value of the stamps of each province (unused)
Bechuanaland Protectorate	5		1		1898	$ .03	$ .23
British Bechuanaland	41	7	15	1	1892-94	.06	40.00
British Protectorate	18	2	8		1889	.12	37.50
Cape of Good Hope (Cape Colony)	60	21	1		1899	.05	25.00
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Rhodesia (British South Africa)	59				1868	.50	66.50
South African Republic (Transvaal)	158	186	5		1896	.02	20.00
Stellaland	6	9			1884	.02	5.00
Swazieland	6	9			1889-90	.60	25.00
Zambesi	26				1894	.06	.60
Zululand	24	3			1894-96	.05	37.50

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Uncle Sam is quiet in the stamp line. Some of the new Guam surcharge have arrived, and the lettering seems to be the same as the former issue, so collectors are saved another variety. The 2 cent orange envelope is being fiercely discussed, parties having them maintaining that they have a valuable freak, those whose collections and stocks are not so lucky, saying that light is the cause. I have one received from Reeds Ferry, N. H. and it is certainly orange, and unless the postmaster there has entered into a deal of some kind, the envelopes have not been exposed to the light to any extent, though possibly the contractor has been trying some experiments with his inks without notifying the Postoffice Department.

In Japan rural free delivery is complete, all letters are delivered to the addressee, no matter where resident.

One of my March notes, that in regard to the printed cancellation on stamps used in certain cities, does not seem to have been thoroughly clear. At present certain large firms, who mail many circulars etc., are allowed to purchase their stamps already cancelled, they then put up the mail, under postal supervision, in their own establishments, making the separation to states and cities, and thereby relieving the local postoffice of much labor. This is where the printed cancellations come in. The proposed *engraved* names of cities are another matter and have another object in view. These are not cancellations, but are a means of identification in cases of theft and in another class of postal crime which has been bothering the authorities lately: the purchasing of stamps by large consumers whose headquarters are in the cities, but who have been securing their stamps from small offices where the postmasters, being allowed all they can make on stamps, can afford to sell them at a discount.

Match and Medicine stamps at the sale of the Daggett collection engineered by Mr. Bartels went for full catalogue and over.

"Postmasters should advise patrons that the Department does not hold officials responsible for delay in despatch or wrong treatment resulting from the improper placing of postage stamps * * * * *. The proper place for a postage stamp on mail matter is the upper right hand corner of the address side." Postoffice department order of March 26.

A non-philatelic friend of mine told me a yarn, which, if true explains why U. S. 10c proprietary stamps of the civil war series, catalogued $1.50, are being sold from 31c to 50c postpaid. His story is that an acquaintance of his was a clerk in the stamp issuing division at the time the tax was discontinued, and saved, because of interest in them, a number of sheets at the time the stamps were destroyed. He afterwards left the service and entered private employment. The stamps remained in his desk untouched, until his boy, who had a collection, took a few to trade. Someone told him that he had a valuable lot of stamps, and he informed his father, who upon taking the stamps to a dealer was given about 15 cents apiece for the remainder. Sounds rather fishy, but my friend could have no interest in the matter

Cuba is not part of the United States, yet, but it might be well to mention two

"special order" envelopes (probably speculative) just issued: 1 centavo green on blue and 2c Carmine on blue.

The newest alleged philatelic fraud, or rather pair of frauds, hails from Chicago and Detroit. A man in the windy city has just been arrested for counterfeiting foreign stamps, and the week before in Detroit a shrewd salesman of rare stamps on original covers managed to get arrested However, so long as the swindling is on a large scale like this, collectors have on their side a powerful ally in the United States federal officials, who are going to prosecute this case to the end. There is a moral to be found in ths success of this man who offered to sell rare stamps at far less than the market priees, but the reader will draw it for himself.

From my experience in auctions "buy in the East, sell in Chicago" would be a good thing to paste in your hat. Prices in that city run 10 or 15 per cent higher in auctions than here.

The new books of stamps are out. Each book contains 12 two cent stamps, 2 sheets of 6 stamps with oiled paper between, and is sold for 25c The covers contain a lot of valuable postal information.

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Information.

BY CHAS. F. ROBINSON.

Benzine is the only thing that will locate a difficult watermark without injuring the gum. Many persons think that benzine injures the color or the paper. This is only true in the case of one stamp, the 10c Brussels Exposition in the first color. With this exception good benzine will not injure the most delicate color, or have any effect on paper or gum. To be sure, there is impure benzine but this can be avoided, the de-odorized being the best.

The "insurance letter" stamps of U. S. of Colombia represent more than mere registration, as the same country has an issue intended solely for the registry department. The "cubiertas" are used in connection with a system of postal insurance, the fee paid being proportioned according to the value of the contents which are described in full on the large label at the bottom of the huge stamp. The latter is attached to the back of the envelope and has nothing to do with postage or registration.

All stamps of North Borneo from 1887 to date are sold in sheets "canceled to order" with the regular cancellation, consisting of an oval composed of paralell bars. After the gum is removed it is quite impossible to distinguish between the canceled to order specimen and one that has been genuinely used except by the position of the cancellation. In canceling by the sheet the obliteration is usually applied to two or four stamps at once, so that each stamp has a part of the postmark only. This is ordinarily along one side for the high values and in one corner for the others (1c to $1). The same applies to recent Labuan issues also, including the bi-colored series and the lithographed "queen's head" issue.

The embossing on the issues of U. S. for 1867-70 was not a mode of cancelation, but the purpose was protection. The grilling die was to break the fibre of the paper and allow the cancelling ink to so saturate the paper as to make the removal of the ink by stamp cleaners almost impossible.

Collectors who intend to attend the D. P. A. Convention should send their names to the Secretary at once.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$51.68.
Received for dues, etc.....	5.35.
	57.03
Paid Official Organ	4.97.
" postage.....	.67.
Printing membership cards.....	2.00
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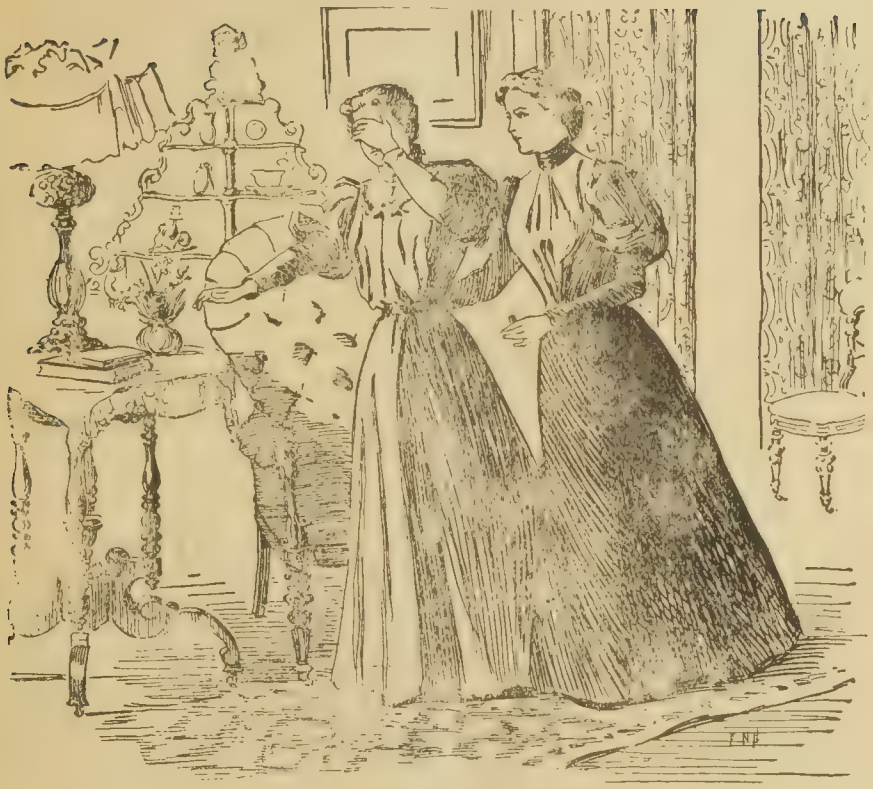

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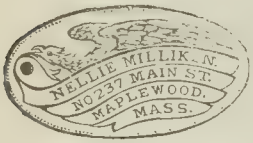

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Interesting Paragraphs.

BY JOHN PELZ.

Many of our philatelic writers who use so much valuable space to give their opinions against the collecting of minor varieties, evidently do not quite practice what they preach, for some collector-dealers who "kick" so much against the minor variety fad still *deal* in them. Then we agree with Brother Chapman who wishes to drive "noms" out of philatelic journals. Some writers who are afraid to write under their own names should give up altogether, for they do more harm than good when they so persistently run down a branch of collecting they have no taste for.

When the war between the United States and Spain was on, and after it was over, the stamps of Cuba, Philippine Islands and Porto Rico became very popular and many values took a leap upward in price and all the stamps generally rose in popularity. Now that the war in South Africa is going on, it seems that collectors have turned to that continent, and are zealously collecting those stamps, and it can be safely predicted that an advance in value will soon set in, similar to the Cuba, Philippine and Porto Rico stamps. (Philatelic) "History Repeats Itself."

A dealer not long ago stated in his price list which he issued, the following: "I sell no reprints, all stamps sold by me are guaranteed genuine, original specimens." Happening to send for a packet of stamps from the dealer not long after, I found one stamp from Heligoland and one from Roman States, which if genuine are worth about one dollar; and the packet only cost me 25 cents. But ARE they genuine? I doubt it, even though the dealer stated that he only sold "genuine stamps, reprints go into the waste paper basket."

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Whether the first issue of stamps of the United States are collectible has been largely discussed and while there are many who would say nay, yet when it is treated as one of the Centennial sets and classed in with the reprints of the 1856 and 1861 issues, there can be no question but they should be signed a place in the album, but should the collector reject the reprints he should certainly reject, also, this only *official* counterfeit of the American nation. —E. R. Aldrich.

It would be well for collectors to devote some of the time now given to the examination of the U. S. adhesives and envelopes in search of infinitisimal variations caused by too much or too little ink, worn dies, etc., to the study of our revenue stamps for they afford a wide field for careful research.—E. R. Marshall.

When a stamp paper has been established three or four years, it is almost safe to subscribe to that paper, especially if it contains over 200 pages in a year. See our Premium Offers.

Arthur R. Magill

Was born February 9, 1878 in Newport, Rhode Island, where he resided until June 1897 when he moved to Montreal and took a position in the head office for Canada of an English Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Magill has collected for about ten years, but lost his first collection by fire while at college, but after about two years he again started to collect; this time making a specialty of a few countries. He also deals in stamps but handles very little excepting Canada which he makes his specialty.

Mr. Magill has written for a number of papers At present he is the Montreal correspondent of the *Weekly Philatelic Era*, and the Canadian correspondent of the *Adhesive*, *Nebraska* and *Virginia Philatelist*.

ARTHUR R. MAGILL, MONTREAL.
Our Candidate for D. P. A. Exchange Supt.

The D. P. A. was the first philatelic association that Mr. Magill ever joined, and he has always worked for it. He is President of the Mount Royal Stamp Club, Librarian of the League of Canadian Philatelists, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Montreal Philatelic Association.

Mr. Magill hopes to be able to attend the Convention at St. Catharines. He is a candidate for the office of Exchange Supt. of the D. P. A. We are confident that he will make a good officer, and members will make no mistake if if they mark their ballots for Mr. Magill.

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Do not fail to send your ballots promptly Address them plainly to George Bradley, D. P. A., St. Catharines, Ont. All ballots must be in by July 2nd.

The Postal Service of the New American Colonies.

BY A. R. BUTLER.

Some time before the landing of the American troops in Cuba the problem of a provision for handling the mails of the army of invasion confronted the postal administration of this country. And that problem was a hard one; the displacing, in a land having a different language, of a postal service founded on ignorance, corruption and medieval conservatism and the introduction of altogether different methods. And this, too, in a time of war, when the native-speaking clerks were afraid to co-operate with the Americans or were unwilling to do so: it amounted to the same thing in the end. To their minds, the final issue of the conflict was in doubt, and they feared the Spaniards if the Americans were defeated. And, too, the postal administration being a civil affair, the usually passive but sometimes active manifestations of the contempt and jealousy of subordinate military officials operated in the first to interfere with the successful handling of the mails. This latter obstacle brought with it a remedy, for the War Department, when this action of lower officials became known, at once issued an order demanding the fullest co-operation of the military with the postal authorities. The spirit of these men "clothed in a little brief authority" is shown by one of them, who upon being asked to detail a soldier to assist in the handling of an accumulation of mail, that it might be delivered to the soldiers anxiously awaiting news from home, retorted "Our men are here to be taught to shoot Spaniards, not how to shuffle postal cards". This apparently, however, was the spirit of only a few of the army officers, the general spirit of willingness to help being specially mentioned by the Postmaster-General, he stating that he received "the hearty co-operation of the War Department", and it was probably the volunteer rather than the regular army men who were unwilling to help out the civilians.

The Postoffice Department had never before been confronted with this question; during the rebellion the distribution of the comparatively few letters sent was done through the army organization almost wholly, and aside from the fact that fewer letters were written, it was easier to get at the armies when they were capable of being reached at all. There wasn't any distribution of mail to Sherman's army on its march to the sea, and a letter once in three months was sufficient for any soldier in the war of '65. In the Spanish-American war things were different, daily letters were in many cases written and received by the volunteer trooper, newspapers, clothing and all sorts of articles were sent him through the post. He expected deliveries and collections to be as frequent and as punctual as in New York City; when they were not, his friends, at home and in the army, his Congressman, and his Senators were importuned, and they in turn deluged the Postoffice authorities with inquiries, remonstrances and threats; the official reports rather complain of this as expecting a little too much of a temporary and emergency service. The first intimation the Department received as to this standard that had been set for its service was received from the encampment at Chicamauga Park, in Tennessee. The Army heads had selected this as a collect-

ing place for a large portion of the volunteer troops, the local postoffice, Lytle, being a small fourth classs office with the postmaster as the only employe. In consequence of this there was a three days delay in the delivery of the mail that brought forth a wail from citizens and members of Congress causing the postal people to bestir themselves and to authorize the postmaster at Chattanooga to take charge of affairs, employ a force and build such shelters as would enable the mail to be handled without delay: under this arrangement 75,000 pieces of mail matter per day were handled by a force of 29 clerks with an automatic stamping machine and slight help from military details, besides a very heavy money order and registry business.

This experience should have prepared the authorities for the requirements of the army in Cuba, and should have warned them to make provision for the service, but a department is slow to take action and mail for the investing army accumulated at Tampa, on transports, and on the beach at Siboney until June 9, 1898. A short time prior to that date Mr. Eben Brewer, an experienced employe of the postal service, had been sent from the states as postal agent, but he did not arrive until June 14th, and he had been provided with no force to handle such a mass of letters, or the necessary means to transport them to one spot for distribution. By June 25 he was joined by another postal employe, Kempner, and the two, with a Sergeant Dawson, opened the the first United States postoffice on foreign soil, at Daiquiri. The first mail consisted of 298 sacks. Agent Brewer at once began to distribute the letter portion of this, and endeavored to make arrangements to have it delivered to the addressees at the fighting line, 18 miles away. The army officials refused to give any assistance whatever, so he bought a horse, hired a Cuban and his pony, loaded them up and started for the front through roads of mud without bottom. Only those people familiar with the usual methods of addressing army letters can appreciate the magnitude of the task undertaken by him, but the letters were delivered to soldiers in the trenches, the three men braving the fire of the Spanish guns. The next mail was 130 sacks, and through urgent representations to General Shafter, he gave orders that an army wagon should be used in transporting them and messengers were sent from the various regiments for their mails, thus relieving to some extent the pressure on the postal clerks. On July 6 the office was moved to Siboney, with the newspaper mail remaining and 200 additional sacks received on the day of arrival. But the limit of endurance had been reached, Brewer succumbed to yellow fever, and in a week was dead, and Dawson broke down with typhomalarial local fever and after a long illness was returned to the states. On July 10 Agent Kempner, now alone, received a reinforcement of four experienced postal clerks with 120 more sacks of mail. His troubles seemed to be ending, but the same day a squad of soldiers appeared to burn the building and its contents on account of the possible infection with yellow fever. The orders were peremtory and it was with difficulty that a sufficient delay was obtained to secure an order from headquarters that the mails should not be included in the general conflagration. This was secured, but the personal effects of the

postal clerks were destroyed and they were compelled to work in tents with disinfectants around. Then Siboney was isolated for ten days on account of the fever and for ten days no mail was delivered, until on July 23 a load of soldiers' mail for the states was shipped on the steamer Concha. The capitulation of Santiago brought the American agents into their first contact with the Spanish postal system in its full beauty. A Spanish postmaster and fourteen clerks were here, drawing salaries about twice as great as the total receipts of the office, and probably stealing as much more. The postmaster and ten clerks were immediately "relieved" and three clerks retained at $30 per month each. The Spanish methods were peculiar, to say the least; stamps were not sold at the postoffice, but were wholesaled at a discount to parties who retailed them to users. Mail boxes cost from $2 to $20 per year according to the needs of the renter and the cheek of the postmaster. Carriers were not paid by the office but were permitted to collect any sum they saw fit to from the addressee. The whole system was rotten, the clerk's salaries were irregularly paid and they reimbursed themselves by peculations and extortion. One fact will convey a hint of the condition of things almost impossible of comprehension to a person accustomed to the American or Canadian postal systems: when our representatives took possession of the Havana postoffice, over 2000 *registered* letters addressed to accessible people in the city the accumulations of three or four years were found, undistributed and undelivered. As the American troops advanced, the office in each town was reorganized on the American plan and put in charge of a United States agent. On December 21, 1998, a Director General of Posts was appointed for the island and entire control passed to him. The service for convenience was maintained by virtue of military authority, although it is now practically autonomous. The stamps and supplies are furnished by the United States at actual cost, and trained employees were detailed from the home service to train the Cuban clerks and improve the personnel. In overprinting the stamps of the U. S. used prior to the distinctive Cuban issue an error of philatelic interest occurred Under the impression that the "drop letter" rate was 2½ c de p., 2,000,000 two cent stamps were over printed with that value and sent to Cuba. The true rate, however, was 2c de p., so that these stamps were unnecessary, but they were used as two cent stamps notwithstanding the surcharge. The reconstruction of the service from that point to the present day was only a question of time and administration. Today the Cuban service is rapidly reaching a point where the efficiency and accuracy will be a matter not only for wonder to those who were acquainted with it under Spanish rule, but of pride to the men to whom this bringing order out of chaos is due. So much for Cuba, where the department encountered the problems, the solving of which rendered the introduction of our postal system into the other colonies comparatively simple.

In Porto Rico where our army had little opposition, a commission was sent out to look over the ground and report on the best methods to adopt; they reported in favor of an autonomous system, as in use in Cuba, but the hurricane of last August has delayed the independent action of the

Porto Rican postal system.

In the Philippines the putting into effect of a complete system has been accomplished. Aguinaldo and his forces only delay its extension, they cannot embarrass it where established. The war being ended the Spanish speaking residents and natives were anxious to cooperate with the winning side, and this cleared the way from difficulties such as obtained in Cuba. Guam—well, since the advertising of the "leery cove" in charge of that island, with his postal issue for revenue only, it is hardly necessary to state that the United State postal service is in force there.

The hardships of the clerks who first devised the service in Cuba cannot be estimated. They being civilians no provision had been made for their food, shelter, or clothing; the military authorities not permitting them to use or to purchase, at cost, army supplies, and the salaries they received, while ample in the states, were not sufficient to provide when private resources were held at war rates. Overworked, poorly sheltered and fed, they fell an easy prey to the yellow and climatic fevers. The accumlations of mail were great, but the Spanish postal appliances were calculated rather to retard than to facilitate its distribution. They suffered and contrived in silence, the appeal of an employe, to the "god of the machine," they knew from experience not to be effective within the span of one man's life and they were too busy to "organize the pull" as used by the privates of the volunteer army to cause immediate action in the case of delayed mails.

The history of the United States Postal Service in our new colonies is a history of the triumph of individual energy and ingenuity over manifold obstacles, of climate, of environment and of red tape, and too much credit cannot be given to the men who achieved the results, some of them, as Brewer, giving their lives to the effort.

The publishers of this paper do not deal in stamps, but they will give 12 inches of ad space for $2.00 to any dealer who wishes to advertise stamps.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The Buffalo Exposition is to be pre-eminently a commercial exposition, and the Postoffice Department is desirous of using designs upon stamps for it that will emphasize the fact. The designs which have so far met with favor illustrate the aid by modern invention. A modern American lake steamer, the Empire state express train, Niagara Falls, the canal locks at Sault Ste Marie, an automobile, and, finally, the American flag; have been chosen. The connection given is easily seen, except the phrase "trade follows the flag" may give a reason in addition to patriotism for introducing the stars and stripes.

It is hardly likely that the readers of the ADVOCATE are in danger of being victimized, but the Postmaster General has just issued a fraud order against The National Society of Sculpture, and A. W. Blouin, of Montreal Canada.

Envelopes, entire vs cut square, will never be settled, but a writer in the *Bay State Philatelist* gives the best summing up of the matter I have seen, and condemns them for the general collector on the ground of bulk and difficulty of mounting. A collection of entires has just changed

Scenes in St. Catharines

Where the D. P. A. Convention will be held July 2 and 3, 1900.

"WHERE THE LILIES GROW."
Scene on Martindale Creek Near the City.

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In getting together sets of Porto Rico on U. S. it must be remembered that the 1 and 2 c. values were surcharged with the spelling "Puerto Rico" before that relic of Spanish was finally superseded by the Porto Rico Act of Congress. There was a curious conflict of opinion about this spelling. The Postoffice Department surcharging these two values Puerto after having issued numbers with Porto, while the War Department consistently stuck to the Anglicised spelling

Another fraud order recently issued was against Bernard Leprohon, of Montreal, for conducting a lottery business.

Publishers wail about sample copy fiends, and will continue to do so. The sample copy fiend is a product of evolution and his increasing number and bother marks a corresponding increase in the number of philatelists. All businesses have their parasites, seeking to live on the substance and earnings of others, and no legitimate trade is destroyed by them though individuals may be called upon to bear an undue part, in proportion as their publications are valuable. The friend is encouraged, and the true collector made weary, by the sample copies, repeated month after month, full of grammatical and proof errors, and even in the advertisements; the editorials teeming with spiteful attacks upon more worthy contemporaries.

There are some exceedingly tasteful color schemes in the cover designs of some of the May monthlies. Black and Lilac, Pink and Dark Green, Scarlet and Green. But a Michigan Journal caps them; carmine cover, printed in silver and black, really beautiful. And I seem to notice that, usually, an attractive cover accompanies good reading matter.

One of our monthlies states that they have ceased publication of city notes, stating "It is a well-known fact notes from a large city interest only those that live in that city". It all depends on the notes, I cannot agree with such a sweeping statement in its entirety, and it is noticed that the leading weeklies and monthlies in our field here, use notes from cities philatelically active. If a paper is to get the news it must get it from persons on the ground, and it is a question or printing the news without acknowledging the author, or giving credit as is done in *Mekeel's*. This, I think, is the better way.

Probably the paper thus ceasing to publish notes is dis-satisfied with the quality of its local correspondence.

The following are the private proprietary stamps so far issued under the war Revenue Act of 1898.

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Piso Co.	$\frac{5}{8}$c
Johnson & Johnson	$\frac{5}{8}$c
Fletcher (Castoria)	$1\frac{1}{4}$c
Hostetter Co.	$2\frac{1}{2}$c
Warner Safe Cure Co.	$3\frac{1}{3}$c
Radway & Co.	$\frac{5}{8}$c
Lanman & Kemp.	$\frac{5}{8}$, $1\frac{1}{4}$, $1\frac{7}{8}$, c
Od Chemical Co.	$2\frac{1}{2}$c

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This number contains a large array of good advertisements from responsible dealers and excellent articles from expert writers. Its subscribers are those who read the ads as well as the articles.

"Our Eye."

CONDUCTED BY PURITAN.

"The value of a gourde" has been a much discussed topic in the columns of the American Press and many are at sea regarding the true status of affairs. Some claim that a gourde, Hayti money, is equivalent to a dollar U. S. currency, while others claim that half the latter sum would represent the correct amount. My experience teaches me that the one who deals with the Post Office Department of Hayti direct, will find the officials filling orders on the dollar for dollar basis. If, however, you have an agent who will exchange your draft for Haytian money you will be able to make your cash go twice as far. The moral is plain. Notwithstanding Mr. Gregory's claim in *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* that a gourde is nearly the equivalent of a dollar, we still maintain that he is not a genuine Yankee in the matter of getting his money's worth.

The stamps of New Zealand are leading us a very pretty race! Since the appearance of the pictorial issue we have been in suspense as to what the local print would show. Indeed, four months ago the 4d was printed in the two colors of the 1d, blue and brown, the change evidently being based on the expense of printing the lower value in two colors. Printed four months ago, it is now in circulation and on unwatermarked paper. In the meantime the ½d green, 1d carmine and 2d violet have been issued on watermarked paper, with slight changes in the ½ and 2d. Of course the next printing of the 4d will be on watermarked paper and we are told that the colors in the future will be blue and carmine. All these stamps, locally printed, are poorly executed and the perforation is vile. It would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer to keep track of these changes. Indeed the intricacies that confront the student of New Zealand's philatelic conditions are such as to call for a stout heart and a clear head.

I look upon the stamps of Samoa as a good investment, if one believes in investing in stamps. I write this with all due regard to the speculative taint of recent months in the knowledge that hereafter Germany and the U. S. are to take charge of the postal affairs of the Island. I know one dealer-correspondent who very recently scored severely the dealers who handled Samoans, yet the paper had hardly appeared before some of the "Provisional Govt" of last year changed hand, on one occasion where the aforesaid dealer-correspondent was one of the principals and not the buyer.

I am told the German government proposes to sell its colonial issues, such as Mariana, Caroline and Marshall Ids. at the central postoffice in Berlin. We are gravely informed that this is done not only for the convenience of philatelists but for those who may have business relations with the colonies.

A little bird whispers that another effort will be made this year to take the official organship of the A. P, A. from the *Era* and give it to the *Metropolitan Philatelist*. I am at a loss to understand the reason. The *Metropolitan* is a house organ of the most pronounced type. Were it not for the work of Mr. Bartels we should find very little worthy of reprinting. On the other hand the *Era* is a collector's paper and its editor has no other purpose to serve than to give the members the best

paper possible. I hope the A. P. A will think twice ere it makes any change.

I noticed in a recent *Era* that the stamps of Mauritius were to be changed but particulars were lacking as to whether designs or colors were to be affected. 1, 2, 3, 5, 10 rupees are to be added to the set.

We read of a pioneer postal card that has been presented Her Majesty and it marks the possibilities of a new era in the development of the mail service of the "dark continent." This card bears the postmarks, Nyassa-Land, Toro, Omdurman, and Cairo, having travelled via the great lakes, the Nile and Egypt and is the first to make this trip. The agency of the explorer was of course called into use, but ere many years we shall find the twin lines of metal pathway carrying these silent messengers through the very heart of Africa.

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St. Catharines.

THE 1900 D. P. A. CONVENTION CITY

The City of St. Catahrines is situated on the Welland Canal, in the midst of the Niagara District fruit belt, and has been rightly called the "Garden City of Canada." Though numerous beautiful buildings and parks, so common to many large cities, are few, yet, on every side are to be found large farms where, every year, thousands of baskets of fruit are shipped to every part of the Province, and other places, well worth visiting, should one feel inclined to do so.

Twelve miles away are the world famed Falls of Niagara, which is visited yearly by thousands of tourists. It is quite likely that this will be included in the programme which the members of the city are arranging. Lundy's Lane, Queenston, Fort Niagara and other historic places, none of which are twelve miles distant, might also be taken in if the members so desire.

It is needless to say further along these lines — we will now think of other things, which in some ways, are of more importance to our visiting friends.

THE PROGRAMME.

No programme has yet been definitely arranged; though by July 2nd, everything will be in readiness.

TO THOSE CONVENTION BOUND.

As yet we have received word from very few who are coming. We want every member who can to come, and ask you to forward your names to either, R.G Widdicombe, or Geo. Bradley , to that effect.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS.

First class accommodation can be secured at the Russell House at $1.50 per day, and if a sufficient number are in attendance, a lower rate may be secured. The Committee has decided to make this house headquarters, for visiting members, and arrangements will be made accordingly—so let us know if you are coming. Good hotel accomodation can be had at $1 a day.

PLACE OF MEETING.

No place has yet been decided upon, but the committee has under consideration a first-class hall which can likely be secured.

OF INTEREST TO ALL.

Half rates will prevail on all railroads in Canada, which will, or should, greatly increase the attendance.

Let us know how you are coming and when you will arrive, and we will do our best to meet you. You might also give us some means of recognizing you.

Any information will be cheerfully furnished by the committee.

We want all who can to come, and last but not least don't forget the dates—Monday and Tuesday July 2nd and 3rd.

R. G. Widdicombe }
Geo. Bradley } Committee.

CAMPAIGN MATTER.

Every member who possibly can should attend the convention at St. Catharines, Ont., July 2nd & 3rd.

Every member must send their ballot immediately whether they attend or not.

Your vote and Influence respectfully solicited.

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Vote for
Capt. E. F. WURTELE
for President.

Under the management of Capt. E. F. Wurtele the D. P. A. has advanced more than ever before. Mark your ballots for him for another term.

D. P. A. Members. Special Notice.

Our 5th Annual Convention at St. Catharines, Ont. July 2nd and 3rd, promises to be a huge success. I personally solicit the attendance of all whom can possibly arrange to be present. An enjoyable time is guaranteed to all. To those who cannot possibly attend the meet. I hereby solicit your proxy, which shall be used (not to put through any measure of my own or my friends) but to the best interest and welfare of the society and members as a whole Mail your proxy to me until June 30th.

Thanking you for past favors.

Fraternally yours,
Charles Bailey, D. P. A. 4,
85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Can.

Arthur R. Butler, candidate for trustee of the D. P. A. was born at Brentwood, England, March 17, 1872. By place of birth English, by date of birth Irish, and by naturalization an American. Is an M. D. by profession, but is at present employed by the United States Civil Service Commission. Has been collecting some 20 years and in 1898 branched out as a dealer-collector.

Vote for the men who will have influence.

FOR TRUSTEES

Your vote and influence requested by

H. A. Chapman, Hartford.
A. R. Butler, Washington.
W. A. Starnaman, Berlin.

The trustees really control the interests of the society, so be careful who you vote for. Mr. Brown having withdrawn as candidate for Trustee, Mr. W. A. Starnaman solicits your vote and support.

MR. T. S. FUTCHER,
CANDIDATE FOR CANADIAN VICE PRESIDENT

secured 8 new members since last convention and enlivened philatelic interest in Western Canada. It's the workers that are wanted in the D. P- A.

We request your vote and support for the following:

President.—E. F. Wurtele
Vice President. (Can.)—T. S. Futcher.
Exchange Supt.—A. R. Magill.
Trustees.—H. A. Chapman.
A. R. Butler.
W. A. Starnaman.

Yours fraternally,
Starnaman Bros.

A. R. Magill

——FOR——

Exchange Supt. D. P. A.

A capable man is necessary to fill such an important office as Exchange Superintendent. Mark your ballot for Mr. Magill and you have done your share towards electing a capable man.

The Philatelic Advocate.

With which is consolidated
The Philatelic Messenger,
The Ontario Philatelist,
and the Stamp Reporter.
Official organ Dominion Philatelic Ass'n

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All advs. set in brevier body type.

Forms close on the **20th** and all copy must reach us BEFORE that date to ensure insertion.

U. S. Advertising Agent
S. J. Petree, Russelville, Ala.

If this is marked it signifies that, your ad. reached us too late for this no.

Cash did not accompany your order.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

X We will exchange one or two copies with any paper published.

Address all communications to,

STARNAMAN BROS.
Box 104, Berlin, Ontario, Canada.

46 If this number appears on your wrapper it signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.

Copy for Advertisements for July issue must reach us before the 20th of JUNE or it will be too late.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

The D. P. A. pages are specially interesting this month. On the campaign page some of the different candidates have there say. One candidate who we are not supporting thinks the official organ should not support any candidates. It is not, but the publishers of the ADVOCATE, as members, have the right to support any person they like. No mention of supporting anyone is made in official matter.

Mr. Shove has informed us that it will be impossible for him to accept the office of Exchange Superintendent for another year. We know that Mr Magill is capable of taking Mr. Shove's position. A vote for him will not be misplaced.

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Do not forget that all copy for ads in July number must reach us by June 20th.

At last the original *Stampic America* has made its address known. The last number gives its authorized agent as Miss Amy L. Swift, Whitman, Mass. Subscription is 5c per copy. This unique paper is printed on a typewriter in duplicate. The last issue contains an unmounted photo of two feline philatelists (we presume the property of Miss S.)

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The following is a copy of an agreement which is being circulated among the philatelic publishers and to date has been signed by the publications named. "Believing that counterfeits and reprints are hurtful to philately, the undersigned agree to refuse all advertisements in which same are offered, as to insert same would be detrimental to all classes of collectors. Signed, *Bay State Philatelist, Virginia*

Philatelist, *Allegheny Philatelist & Herald Exchange*, *Northwestern Philatelist* and PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

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Rev. A. C. Waghorne, Bay of Islands, Newfoundland, who went to Gordon Town, Jamaica, for his health, died at that place on April 11th. He took a great interest in philately and was an ardent student of botany; many plants peculiar to the island of Newfoundland bear his name,

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Alfred L. Connor, Madoc, Ont. is selling a receipt for making your own rubber stamps. See ad on Bargain Page.

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One of the most attractive ads that we have set up lately is that of Mr. Albert H. Hall, of Cambridge, Mass which appears on another page. Not only is it descriptive, concise, artistic and catchy, but it is symbolic of the structure of a successful stamp dealer's business.

The base is the cheap packets of many common stamps, which will always be the foundation of the beginner's collection. The pillars are the medium priced packets from continents and special countries, such as the general collector always wants to round out his album. And the capstones are the single stamps which everyone needs to complete his sets and fill up his pages. In the middle of the doorway Mr. Hall hangs out his doorplate. Call on him and you will be assured of courteos and appreciative treatment.

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In our last issue Mr. Magill's ad read 20c Canada vermillion 4c, this should have been 12c.

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Through an error in arranging the type one of the tables in our article on South African stamps, in May number, became badly mixed up. The third table should read as follows; The figures in first column refer to the number of the colony.

1.	1898	.03	$ .23
2.	1894	.12	40.00
3.	1889	.12	37.50
4.	1893-96	.01	25.00
5.	1898	.04	.60
6.	1882-84	.01	15.00
7.	1887	.50	10.00
8.	1868	.02	10.00
9.	1898	.05	.30
10.	1899	.05	66.50
11.	1896	.02	20.00
12.	1884	.60	5.00
13.	1889-90	.08	25.00
14.	1898	.04	.60
15.	1894-96	.05	37.50

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There are still a few persons who send in ads without the cash. We treat everybody the same; no matter whether the firm has $25,000 capital or $25.00 they must pay for their ads in advance. By buying one page the rate is very low, 12 inches ad space $2.00, can be be used 1 in. at a time.

Those of our readers who are interested in Philatelic Literature should join the Philatelic Literature Society. This society was organized in 1896 and at one time had a large membership but owing to irregular appearances, lateness, and changes of its official organ, it has not advanced very rapidly. It is now gaining in membership and will soon be up to its former standing. Some benefits: Members have the use of the Auction Department to dispose of duplicate papers; subscription dept., through which to subscribe to papers at reduced rates; A bureau of Information, Library, etc. Chas. F. Frey, Ottawa, O., Secy-Treas. will be pleased to furnish information to those desiring it.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

OFFICERS.

President—E. F. Wurtele, Quebec, Que.
Vice " —T. S. Futcher, Victoria, B. C.
" " U S.—F. D. Sawyer, Otisfield Gore, Maine.
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Count. Det.—F. J. Garraty, 500 Guy St., Montreal, Que.
Ex. Supt—E. L. Shove, Unionville, N. Y.
Auc. Mgr.—R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.
Att'y—J. A. Wainwright, Northampton, Mass.
Librarian—F. I. Weaver, Berlin, Ont.
Trustees—Chas. Bailey, 85 Euclid Ave., Toronto, Ont., C. S. Applegath, Hamilton, Ont. G. W. Hicks, Toronto, Ont.
Ad. & Sub. Agt.—H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn.
Official Organ—The Philatelic Advocate

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Secretary's Report.

New Members.

468. Fred H. Barrows, Providence, R. I.
469. Wm. Wilson, Victoria, B. C.
470. Orliff Newman, Castleton, Ont.
471. Chas. S. Stewart, Port Arthur, Ont.
472. Wilfred Vanstone, Brantford, Ont.
473. Albert S. Paulsen, Catskill, N. Y.
474. J. G. Linn, Avalon, Penna.
475. W. H. Newton, San Antonio, Texas.
476. Ed Stephenson, Orillia, Ont.
477. L. Wight Lassell, Berkely, Calif.
478. C. F. Greene, Berlin, Ont.
479. John W. Patterson, Moravia, N. Y.
480. Wm. K. Gibb, Galt, Ont.
481. Albert E. H. Coo, London, Ont.
482. M. Pelletier, Shenectady, N. Y.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Marshall Olson, 648 Erie St., S. E., Minneapolis, Minn. Age 29, Secy-Treas. Refs. Geo. W. Starnaman, J. H. Kaltenbach.

A. J. Young, Manitowaning, Ont. 47, clergyman. W. H. Allison, Geo. E. Davenport.

H. A. Harding, Port Rowan, Ont. 16, student. Alan Lees, R. D. McKeracher.

Harold V. Hawkins, 2209 Bancroft Way Berkeley, Calif. 15, student. Walter M. Lester, Mrs. A. D. Hawkins.

Ethel V. Ott, 1501 Louisa St., Berkeley, Calif. 15, student. Walter M. Lester, A. L. Ott.

K. Nakanish, 158 Kokutaigi Mura, Hiroshima, Japan. 24, lawyer's clerk. F. M. Richardson, T. Fujii.

Emil N. Kiefer, 712 Liberty St., Allegheny, Pa. Publisher. Starnaman Bros,

F. A. Brereton, 208 Dover Court Road, Toronto, Ont. 22, clerk. E. B. MacGillivray, C. Ussher.

Rowcliffe F. Wrigley, 293 King St. W., Toronto, Ont. 14, student. E. B. Mac Gillivray, C. Ussher.

John Howard Brohm, Haliburton, Ont. 21, farming. G. W. James, Ed. Spurr.

Chas. S. Osgood, Box 204, Salem, Mass. 28, stamp dealer. A. A. Fisher, D. Mac Keracher.

C. S. Iyer, Attungal, Travancore, India. 29, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros. A. V. Maherrham, postmaster.

Chas. D. Higley, Salamanca, Cataragus Co., N. Y. 40, father. Starnaman Bros. John C. Kueger.

The above will be admitted to membership June 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

REINSTATED.

483. A. F. Wicks, London, Ont.
156. Nels. T. Thorson, Omaha, Neb.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

J. F. Rust, 720 Prospect St., Cleveland, O
Chas. Usher, 4 St. Patrick Sq., Toronto.
Sidney H. Barnes, Marceline, Mo.
Mrs. A H. Hall, 16 Gray St., Cambridge, Mass.

OMITTED IN HANDBOOK.

E. J. Eckerson, Cobbleskill, N. Y.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	323
Reinstated	2
Paid 1900 dues	6
	331

A ballot is enclosed in this issue, use it.

When voting by ballot was instituted, voting by proxy was done away with, so no blank proxies are enclosed.

The President informs me that he has appointed the following credential committee: Geo. Bradley, St. Catharines, Ont.
Chas. Bailey, Toronto, Ont.
Geo. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont.

One ballot is enclosed with the Official Organ to each member of the D. P. A. All ballots must be sent to Geo. Bradley, D. P. A., St. Catharines, Ont. by June 30th.

THE CANDIDATES.

Although I notified all the members who were nominated for more than one office to withdraw from all but one, one did not do so.

PRESIDENT—E. F. WURTELE.
G. E. DAVENPORT.
CAN. VICE PRES.—T. S. FUTCHER
J. R. SEAVEY.
U. S. VICE PRES.—C. F. ROBINSON.
E. L. SHOVE.
SECY-TREAS.—Geo. W. STARNAMAN.
EXCHANGE SUPT. —H. S. VANDERBURG
A. R. MAGILL
W. R. BROWN
COUNT. DETECTOR.—C. BAILEY
LIBRARIAN.—F. I. WEAVER
AD AND SUB. AGENT.—G. W. HICKS
ATTORNEY—J. A. WAINWRIGHT
AUCTION MANAGER—R. S. MASON
TRUSTEES.—H. A. CHAPMAN.
Vote for 3. W. A. STARNAMAN
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A. R. BUTLER
E. A. CORKER
G. W. HICKS
1901 CONVENTION SEAT.—MONTREAL
OFFICIAL ORGAN—PHIL. ADVOCATE.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$48.53.
Received for dues, etc.....	4.70.
	53.23
Paid Official Organ	4.12.
" postage.....	.96.
Balance on hand.....	48.15.
	53.23.

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer
GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Those who expect to attend D. P. A. Convention.

J. A. Williams, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Hew. R. Wood, Montreal, Que.
A. R. Magill, " "
C. Bailey, C. Usher, E. B. MacGillivray, W. Russel Brown } Toronto, Ont.
also a large quota from Toronto, no number stated.
F. I. Weaver. Carl F. Greene, Geo. W. Starnaman W. A. Starnaman } Berlin, Ont.
R. G. Widdicombe Geo. Bradley Alpheus St. John Walter Lloyd } St. Catharines.
E. L. Shove, Unionville, N. Y.
Chas. Farr, Brockville, Ont.
E. N. Kiefer, Allegheny, Pa.
E. E. Elster Mrs. E. E. Elster D. F. Miller C. F. Robinson } Buffalo, N. Y.

President's Address.

To Officers and Members
Dominion Philatelic Association.
Gentlemen:

This being the last opportunity of communicating with you by means of the official organ. before the date of our Annual Convention, I take the opportunity of addressing you with regard to the same. It is hoped that as many as possible will be present on the occasion in order to make it successful as possible. The large gain in membership during the past year, must be most gratifying to all and the continued prosperity of our association is assured. All members are requested to send their votes for eleetion of officers to permit of as large a representation as possible in this connection.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant.
ERNEST F. WURTELE.
President.

The D. P. A. Workers.

180 paid-up members were admitted since last convention. They were secured as follows.

Starnaman Bros. secured 49, A. F. Wicks 13, A. R. Magill and T. S. Futcher 8 each, P. T. Coburn 6, A. A. Van Wie and Chas. Bailey each 5, 4 each by W. M. Lester, E. B. Mac Gillivray and H. Gough, 3 each by R. H. Baker, F. L. Collins and C. Rawson, 2 each by D. Mc Keracher, F. I. Weaver, G. Bradley, A. A. Fisher, P. G. Masson, R. L. Doak, E. F. Wurtele, W. E. Elliott, C. F. Robinson, G. W. Hicks and F. J. Garraty, 1 each were secured by H. R. Wood, J. E. Sohn, F. Reynolds, J. Lowe, J. Wurtele, R. Bateman, R. S. Mason, H. G. Thorpe, H. E. Tuttle, R. Bolton, H. R. Saunders, A. Bickerstaff, O. Hardwell, M. Mitchell, M. Ingersoll, F. W. Coning, E. V. Campion, J. Jackson, E. J. Gifford, H. I. Collins, B. E. Norvell, A. Rowland, N. Conquest, A. E. Wideman, E. A. Greene, H. Rice, G. James, F. M. Richardson and W. R. Brown.

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D. P. A. Prize Contest.

There were not many members who secured enough new members to win a prize.

Set 2½p Turks Isd, 5c Nova Scotia, and a pair of unused U. S. Special Delivery, won by Starnaman Bros.

50c ad space in *Energy* or a set of 12 var. Argentine, or 2½ inch ad in ADVOCATE won by A. F. Wicks.

1 year's sub. to *Energy* or 1 inch ad in ADVOCATE won by A. R. Magill, T. S. Futcher and P. T. Coburn.

1 year's sub. to *Energy* won by A. A Van Wie and C. Bailey.

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19th D. P. A. Auction Sale.

Several bidders bid regularly every month. You don't know what you are missing if you don't, Non-members may bid but only members can send stamps.

Bids must be in by June 25th.

Lot No.	*unused	Reserve.
55.	85 Argentine 5c	
58.	Australia 25 asstd.	
61.	414 asst. foreign, mounted	
77.	Quebec and Ont. Rev 17 asst law	$ .50
78.	Nova Scotia Rev. 11 var bills	1.00
80.	*Brazil 10 var 1894.	.90
81.	U. S. 16 Doc. Rev.	.45
83.	Ecuador, 93 surch "Telegrafos"	.70
84.	Cuba 1898 four each 1, 2, 3c	.20
85.	U. S. Dues, 5 var. 1894	.25
86.	U. S. Omaha, 7 var.	.40
87.	Foreign Reprints 74 asstd	4.84
88.	Foreign 1500 asstd	1.00
90.	Canada 2nd Bill 8c scarlet	.35
91.	" " " 30c "	.25
93.	" 50c blue 1892	.20
102.	" 100 numeral ½c	.30
106.	" 100 " 3c	.10
107.	" 100 " 5c	.35
108.	" 100 asst maps	.50
111.	New Zealand 130 3 var new issue	.50
112.	" " 70 ½d news 1895	.20
115.	Canada, 10 5c beavers	.20
116.	Japan 50 asst. 5 var.	.15
117.	Hong Kong 50 asst. 3 var.	.25
118.	Canada Rev, 100 asst. 5 var.	.35
119.	" " $3 second bill (fair)	3.00
120.	" Jubilee 10 1c	.15
121.	" " 10 2c	.20
122	" " 25 3c	.10
123.	" set maple leaf ½ to 10	.25
124.	" " numerals ½ to 10	.15
125.	" 100 purple 2c	.10
126.	" 500 red 2c	.20
127.	" 1000 numeral 2c	.35
128.	" 25 2c on 3c leaf	.35
129.	" 25 2c on 3c numeral	.25
130.	" 500 numeral 1c	.20

Send your bids now.

R. S. MASON, Auction Manager,
HAMILTON, ONT.

Are you a member of America's Leading Philatelic Society, the D. P. A. Over 325 paid up members, members have use of one of the finest Exchange Departments in existence, also use of the Auction Dept to dispose of their stamps. The society has a fine philatelic library, and every member gets monthly a copy of the official organ, the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE, which contains from 12 to 64 pages each month. All this costs you 10c to join and 25c a year dues. Write to Starnaman Bros. Berlin, Ont., for application blanks.

Philatelic Literature Society.

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Ex. Supt.—Chas. Frey, Ottawa, Ohio.
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Libr'n—A. G. Allison, Napanee Mills, Ont.
Bureau of Information—Edwin Reynolds, Brockton, Mass. H. I. Watts, Riverside, Cal.
Trustees—Chas. F. Frey, Ottawa, Ohio. H. McConnell, Talcott, Mich, and Fred Doughty, 535 S. 5th St. Saginaw, Mich.
Official Organ—PHILATELIC ADVOCATE.

Secretary's Report

NEW MEMBER.

37. J. A. Cook, Waterloo, Iowa.

APPLICATIONS.

R. R. Thiele, Manchester, Wis. Refs. C. F. Frey, W. C. Stone.

G. W. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont. Refs. C. F. Frey, W. A. Starnaman.

W. A. Starnaman, Berlin, Ont. Refs. C. F. Frey, G. W. Starnaman.

Fellow Members:—Last month I published a list of suspended members and the amount each owed but as yet none of them have replied. The name of E. L. Shove was published through an oversight of mine. Applications have commenced coming in faster and I hope that each member will obtain a few new members. Try your best and let us make the society a "howling success." I would be pleased to hear from all of you.

Cash Report.

On hand last report		$1.33
Fees and dues received		1.40
	Total	2.73
Paid Official Organ	$1.20	
" Membership cards	1.25	
" Sec'y postage	.10	2.55
	Amount on hand	.18

CHAS. F. FREY, Socy-Treas.,
Box 34, Ottawa, Ohio.

EXCHANGE SUPT'S. REPORT.

I have received a few exchange sheets and some requests to be put on circuits. All members wishing to be put on circuits will please notify me at once. Exchange sheets cost 5c each or 6 for 25c. Hope you will patronize this department.

Chas. F. Frey, Ex. Supt. Ottawa, Ohio.

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Special Notice

To Those Attending D. P. A. Convention.

No hall for the meetings has yet been secured, but if those who are coming will let either Mr. Bradley or myself know when and how they will come, they will be notified as soon as arrangements are completed, and met by someone at landing place if possible.

There may be those who do not decide to come until the last moment. To those we will say that if they will call at the Y. M. C. A. hall and make known their errand they will receive full information.

Further particulars that anyone might wish, will be furnished on application to either members of the committee.

Geo. Bradley } Committee on
R. G. Widdicombe } Arrangement.

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BRITISH VICTORIOUS

Notwithstanding all the opposition made by Editor Dietz of the *Virginia Philatelist* Pretoria, the capital of the Transvaal, has surrendered to the British. On May 31st all Canada celebrated the event.

The Orange Free State has been annexed to the British Empire and will henceforth be known as the "Orange River Colony."

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This paper, with a circulation of 3,500 each issue, has proven such a valuable medium that advertisers stay with us through the dull months and get good results.

Orange Free State.
6 penny, rose 3c
1 shilling, buff 5c
Beautiful in design and color. You need them.

NATAL.
Half on 1p, rose 2c
6 penny, lilac 3c
1 shilling orange 3c
2 revenues 5c
You want them.

So. African Republic.
5 different revenues 25c
6p to 5 shillings.
Scarce and Odd.
You'll like them

Australians.
A Fine Lot.
Cataloguing $1.25
Only 50 Cents.

ALL PRICES HALF CATALOGUE.

Queensland.
Newspaper Stamps
3 varieties
Only 10 Cents.

6 Different Revenues from **PERSIA Unused** only 25 cents.

All stamps in good condition.

Postage paid on orders For 25 cents or more.

30 Different Stamps from **South America** only 20 cents.

30 Different Stamps from **Australia** very interesting Only 20 Cents.

Albert H. Hall,
16 Gray St.,
Cambridge,
Mass. U. S. A.

20 Different Stamps from **BRAZIL** A Fine Lot only 20 cents.

Your money back if you are Not satisfied.

100 different stamps
Many United States
FOR BEGINNERS.
Only 5 Cents.

100 different stamps
From all over
THE WORLD
Only 10 Cents.

50 different stamps
Every One
CATALOGUED 2c
Only 25 Cents.

Your Ad.

Should be in our next No. It will pay you

1 inch 40c. 2 in. 85c. 3 in. $1.00.
Half page $1.50. One page (12 in.) $2.00.

12 1 inch ads. or
6 2 inch ads. or
4 3 inch ads. or
2 ½ page ads.

For $2.00.
Cash in advance.

Ads. can be used at any time if purchased at above rates.

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1800 Canada 1c numeral
800 " 2c "
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All are neatly tied in 100 bundles free from paper and in fine condition.

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SEND FOR FREE SAMPLES.

THE WEEKLY PHILATELIC ERA,

502-506 Congress St., Portland, Me.

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I desire to enter into exchange relations with collectors in all parts of the world.

RARE FOR RARE.

I offer the stamps of Chili (1852 to 1900) Peru and Bolivia.

Basis; Scott, Senf or Stanley Gibbons.

Address:

Enripue de la Fuente,
Cassilla No. 37,
Limache, (Chili)

Canadian Revenues

A collection of 178 of these desirable stamps neatly mounted in a Needham album. **Make an offer for them.** I wish to sell quick so the first offer that is at all near their value takes them. Will send if wanted a detailed list with catalogue price.

Here is a good chance to get a good Canadian Revenue collection of straight issues, with no colors, etc., variations, and in nice condition.

Russel C. Yates,
Thornbury,
. . . Ont.

200 Gummed Labels. 10 CTS.

Sample | STARNAMAN BROS., BERLIN, ONT. | Sample

For only 10c we will print and mail to you 200 gummed labels same size as above with your name and address thereon. Just the thing to stick on your books, stationery papers and other articles to prevent their loss. Name and address only: extra matter 5c per line of four words. ☞Orders for labels filled on the 25th of the month.

Starnaman Bros, Berlin, Ont.

Do you have to pay for your PRINTING?

If so, you want it done right, quick, and at reasonable rates. We know our business and give you the benefit of that knowledge.

100	Envelopes with your name printed on	25c
250	" " " " " "	55c
100	" better quality	35c
250	" " "	75c
100	" Duplex (blue inside).	50c
250	" " " "	$1.00

These Memo Heads are all the rage.

100	Memo Heads on fine linen paper	35c
250	" " " " " "	75c

Everything advertised by us is sent prepaid.

STARNAMAN BROS. BERLIN. ONT.

CANADA'S UP-TO-DATE STAMP PAPER IS ENERGY.

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6. 100 3c
7. 4 8c " unused (block)
8. 1 50c "
9. 1 $1. " "
10. 65 2c purple, four maple leaves.
11. 113 ½c black " " "
12. 200 3c red " " "
13. 500 1c green, figures in lower corners.
14. 200 3c red " " "
15. 100 2c on 3c " " "
16. 65 5c blue " " "
17. 15 6c brown " " "
18. 100 2c Imperial (maps)
19. 17 Canada stamps viz: 7 6c before Jubilee, 5 6c four leaf, 1 8c four leaf, 3 10c maple leaf, 1 15c.

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21. France unused, 2 5c, 2 15c, 1 25c.
22. Chili unused, 34 1900 2c, 44 1900 1c, 2 30c
23. 100 blank approval sheets.
24. 5000 Perfect Hinges.
25. 50 Native Indian States, 4 var.
26. 4 Newfoundlnd ½c (baby head) on cover
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"	"	envelopes	20	"	15c
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*India, 3 pies carmine... ..... .02
*British Guiana, 2 on 5c Jubilee..... .05
*Mauritius, 15c on 36c..... .10
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* " 10c on 25c blue..... .10
* " 10c on 30c brown..... .10
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*Spain, 2c black.... ..... .01
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*Ceylon 12c carmine and olive..... .08
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*So. Australia 1d carmine..... .03
*Port Said on France 1, 2, 3, 4..... .04
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"	25c	.14	Sungei Ujong	2c Tiger	.03
"	50c	.30	" "	3c	.03
"	5c Service	.07	Straits Settlements	3c brown	.01
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Siam	1 att and 2 atts	each .01	Siam	1 att on 64 atts	each .03
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"	12 "	" .05	"	4 " on 12 "	" .06
"	24 "	" .09	"	10 " on 24 "	" .08

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" "	1898—$3.	"	.10
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" "	1898—$10.	"	1.00
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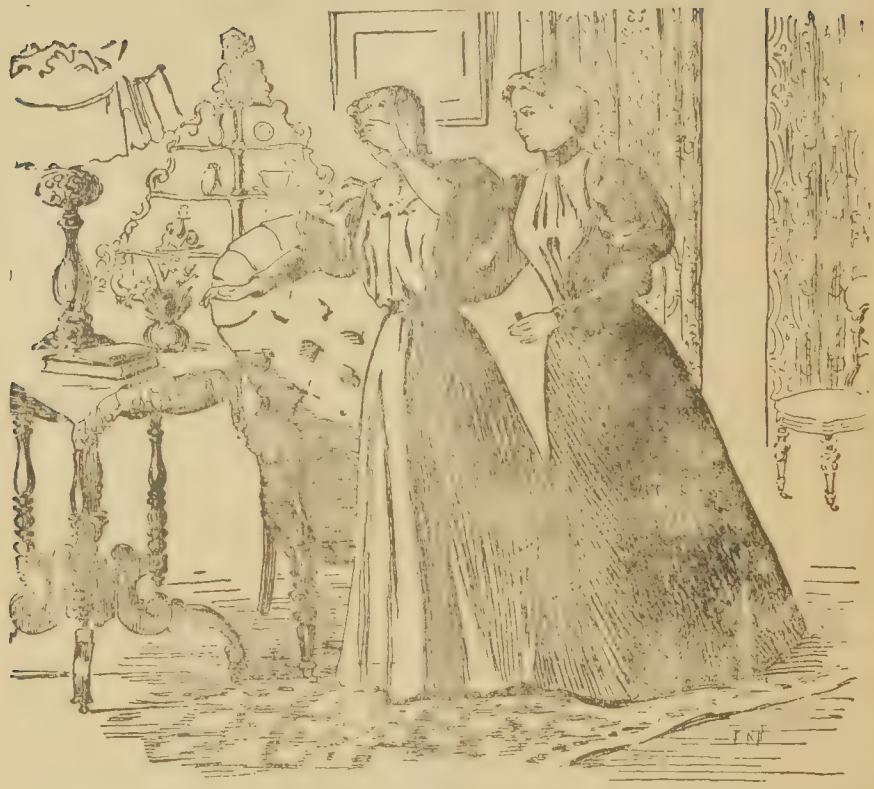

SHE WAS BLIND.

A blindness comes to me now and then. I have it now. It is queer—I can see your eyes but not your nose. I can't read because some of the letters are blurred; dark spots cover them; it is very uncomfortable.

I know all about it; it's DYSPEPSIA. Take one of these; it will cure you in ten minutes.

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To STAMP COLLECTORS
All over the
WORLD.

JULY, 1900.

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EDITORS AND PUBLISHERS
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Stamp Albums.

BY EDGAR S. BRIGHTMAN.

When our albums cease to be a living issue, when we don't care what sort of a store-house our collection has, it will be time for us to entertain serious fears that our interest in stamps is diminishing.

As things are now, the collector has his ages of albums, not exactly the "seven ages" of Shakespeare, but an approach to it. First we have a "blank album(!)"—generally a nickel memorandum book. Then we get a quarter printed album, then the same in better binding, then a large book and finally we venture to aspire to the blank album. But our aspirations in the latter line don't generally come till after our collection has wholly outgrown a printed book.

It is my opinion that there is much radically wrong with all the printed albums now on the market, unless the collector has a boundless store of money. For a collection up to 1500 varieties or so, the half-dollar book is good enough, but beyond that the ideal album is blank one of good quality. I will give my reasons, in brief, for this opinion.

In the common printed album, an ordinary collection of three to four thousand varieties is absolutely lost. If you desire to display your stamps to an outsider he is generally far more struck by the abundance of empty spaces than by the good stamps, that come few and far between. He often gives vent to admiration of what in reality is nothing but a cut of a stamp, but which he supposes to be the real thing. That, you say, is not much of a reason for using a blank album; just to produce an impression on non-collectors.

But I have other, and still more weighty reasons for advising you to part with your old album and get a blank one, if your financial condition allows. If you desire to be a true philatelist you can not be tied down to what the album maker ordains about what to collect and the manner of arrangement. One can, of course, disregard the spacing in the printed book and put his stamps in where he pleases, but what sort of an appearance does an album, treated like that, present? It bears a decided resemblance to a piece of patch work carelessly fastened to the page of the book. The collector that does not give attention to the looks of his album is one who needs some prodding in his philatelic conscience.

Another reason why we should desire a blank album, is one somewhat different from the ordinary. It has long been a superstition, revered on account of its age, like some jokes, that we must have complete sets no matter what it costs, the complete set must and will be obtained. Certainly, it looks well to see long unbroken lines of stamps but too often there are some scarce ones in the set, whose purchase

would cause a long unbroken vacuum in your pocket book. Now If you have a blank album there is no need of having that dismal empty space. Just put the other stamps in the set along in a row, and there you have it, looking just as well and being as satisfactory as if you had the lacking specimens, and if by some wonderful fortune, you should get the absent rarity, I venture to say that there would be little trouble in providing a place for it.

The minor variety is sought after by every collector no matter how much he may deride the rest of us for getting them. With a printed book, for a time satisfactory, you shortly find some pages surrounded by a fringe-like string of minors having a rather bedraggled appearance. I saw the collection of a gentleman who specializes in French, but who still clung to the old printed album. The pages devoted to France were a sight for men and angels! Nearly every stamp had under it another, which was a variety of some sort. The space inside the margin was entirely filled and the margin itself was covered. Now, while such a sight is indicative of great study on the part of the owner of the collection, it would present a far more imposing appearance in a blank album and would be far more convenient for reference.

Now, finally to have a blank album in the place of a printed book, would arouse a more intimate acquaintance with one's stamps and a more personal, almost, feeling toward his collection, since he arranged it himself instead of following blindly the course laid down in the album, however excellent in its way that may be.

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Read Albert H. Hall's advertisement on page 2.

Greece and Switzerland.

An Appreciation by A. M. MUIRHEAD.

Of course we all have our favorites, our bright particular stars, among the stamps. I don't know any issues that appeal so strongly to the artistic portion of this particular mind as the stamps of Greece and Switzerland.

Look at the stamps of Greece, before those gaudy and ill-arranged commemoratives of the Olympian Games, has the majestic in art any fairer embodiment? That chaste, classic head of Hermes, like some perfect cameo, which always brings to mind the celebrated lines of Poe:—

Thy naaid airs have brought me home
To the glory that was Greece,
And the grandeur that was Rome.

Hermes, I presume the effigy is, corresponding to the Roman Mercury, serving, sometimes as messenger of the gods, sometimes as a sort of wind spirit, the confused strains of Grecian and Roman mythology tell sometimes inconsistent tales. Contrasting, for there can be no comparing, these Grecian issues with the later emissions, the large numeral and Olympian, one sees the decadence of this classic nation.

Turn we, now, to Switzerland, the ideal commonwealth of our Bourgeois economists. Here we again find stamps which are neat and artistic. The absence of gaudy effect makes room for art that is true. We see now, no pagan relics, but a more modern effigy. It is always symbols. A seated figure of a woman with a long staff or spear and white crossed shield. A symbol of the Republic we presume. One strange thing about symbolism is the eternal persistence of identification. "The Republic to me is a strong woman," as one of our French writers says. Switzerland might

be proud of her stamps, and might even congratulate herself with having no Postmaster Mulock, with his blatant vaster empire than has been and Xmas stamps that persist till that particular Christmas is gone, through a whole year, even until the coming of this season's flowers that bloom in the spring.

I think a little observation of the stamps of Greece, Switzerland and some few other countries would serve to educate our ideas and win us away from the idea that a postage stamp can acceptably emulate a lobster can label.

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The present issue of envelopes is becoming remarkable for the number of varieties. Three recognized dies of the two cent, two of the five cent, and latest is Die C of the four cent. This die C is distinguished by the omission of the serrated line outside Lincoln's head, and is conspicuous in its variation.

Fiscal collectors would do well to look out for the provisional Philippine revenues some of these are surcharged on the U. S. regular issue, and others are of original design.

Mr. Neely, a United States postoffice clerk in Cuba, is adding to the joys of philately, he is alleged to have failed to destroy $45,000 worth of the surcharged U. S. stamps when ordered to do so, as he considered that this would tend to deprive collectors of a chance to complete their sets of colonial provisionals. His name should be bracketed with that of the governor of Guam as a philatelic philanthropist.

The American exhibit at the Exposition will be the headquarters for a number of our prominent dealers and collectors. Unfortunately the clerks in charge have permitted the theft of three sheets of proofs, one of which is the $48 newspaper, and the United States exhibit, which was helped out by about $1000 worth of privately owned stamps may not be sent on after all. It will be unfortunate should this be the case, as the stamps of this country as a whole, and especially as regards the newspaper and revenues, are far more beautiful than the run of European issues.

The sets of newspaper and periodical stamps, so much maligned, are going to be good property within five years. The issue was 50,000, and of these quite a number were not sold, and enough were turned in at the close of last year to more than counter balance the number of sets in collections prior to the issue. A reprint was made of the higher values, and an apparent storm of protest followed. More apparent than real, a storm to cause timid speculators to unload their purchases, and with the would-be speculators who find they need the cash, these sets are now selling from $4 up. But no one should presume on this unsettled condition to put off the acquisition of a set; the flurry caused by this unloading will pass off in a year at most, and then the rise will be rapid. The stamps are beautiful, and the Seebecks are an ever present example of the fact that beauty will atone for a multitude of sins in the direction of speculation. If you have sets, hold on to them, if you intend to get a set, get it now, some of the big dealers are advertising them below the government price, a condition that won't

last long. There are three different sets those with the stamps all originals, advertising generally at $25; those with the $5 reprinted, usually selling at $6.50; and the sets with the five higher values reprinted, advertised at from $4 to $6.

Oil paper has replaced the parafine paper in the stamp booklets.

A parcels post convention has been concluded between the United States and Nicaragua.

The Nebraska Philatelist, after hibernating a couple of months, has changed hands, Mr. Kennedy having sold out to R. L. Sheppard, of Omaha.

"The island of Porto Rico and the territory of Hawaii are included in the term "United States," and the island of Guam, the Philippine Archipelago and Tutulla are included in the term "Island Possessions" of the United States." From circular of P. M. General of June 12, 1900.

Philatelic Associations.

BY J. SYDNEY DALTON.

A collector who has never been a member of a stamp association asks the question "what are its advantages?" first. This question is a hard one to answer, for, although the member can explain about the official organ, exchange department, etc., yet he can not explain to the fullest degree the advantages an assocsation incurs.

The new member has these things to find out for himself. He finds that after he has been a member for some time his advantages are much greater than could have been explained.

A member that joins an association and does his best to forward the interests and successes of the association is the member that all societies are fond and proud of.

Now, painfully, we must turn to the other kind of member—the member who joins for his own good and not the society's—who joins to get all he can out of it and tries to push himself to the front and become an officer, as near president as possible.

Ah yes! this is the one who is going to do the association more harm than all the other members put together. He will find himself "chucked" and will find that he can not reach the top in this way.

It is with much regret that we must admit this fact very often i. e. That collectors do sometimes join associations purely for the benefit that they themselves can derive from it.

We must now turn to another question. There are too many philatelic societies and yet every week (more or less) we hear of a new society and what is the result? Their days are short and sweet.

The leading societies of the day will come out on top. They must, for when you compare a society of about 500 members to one of about six, including officers; and one run by the leading philatelists of the day, to one that has been started by one or two collectors who are trying to work in opposition to a big society, the "old reliable" will down them in a very short time.

Sooner or later it will and must be known that no more than one society of a kind can be supported.

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Copy for Advertisements for August issue must reach us before the 20th of July or it will be too late.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

IT has been our usual custom to hold our July number back for the report of the D. P. A. Convention, but this year we have decided to take a more extended vacation and, not wishing to delay the ADVOCATE, we have omitted the Convention report. Full particulars will appear in next issue. We wish to thank those who assisted us in getting out the Convention number.

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We extend our thanks to Mr. John Mc Lauchlan, Owen Sound, Ont., for a complimentary season ticket for the steamer "Mazeppa" plying between Owen Sound and Balmy Beach summer Resort and Mc Lauchlin Park. This famous summer resort is situated on Georgian Bay, three miles from Owen Sound and although only opened last year has met with phenomenal success. The beautiful site and natural advantages of this sea-shore summering place are sufficient guarantee of the prosperity and future of this delightful spot.

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We have received a sample of the American Edition of the *Young Stamp Collector.* It is published in England. H. A. Chapman, Rocky Hill, Conn., is American representative.

We acknowledge receipt of price list of Int. Stamp & Investment Co., Box 787, Mexico, City, Mexico.

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For some time past certain dealers have been advertising "Perfect" stamp hinges in 1000 lots at less than 10c per thousand. Collectors should beware of purchasing hinges from these dealers as they cannot be the genuine "Perfect" Hinge. All dealers when buying these hinges from the manu-

facturers must agree to sell at not less than 10 cents per single thousand. Collectors who send to dealers advertising at these cheap prices usually get nothing for their money. A dealer in Iowa offered so called "Perfect" hinges at extremely low prices, and we have letters in our possession to show that he never filled the order. When you want "Perfect" hinges buy from a responsible, well known firm, and remember that they cannot be sold at less than 10c per single thousand.

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F. B. Eldredge reports that he has had trouble with the following: Harold Barrett, Scranton, Pa. N. Maurier, Preston, Ont. Charley Martin, Kokoma, Ind. F. H. Russell, Amphere, N. J. Bad one, P. M. Weiss, 811 Vine St., Cincinnati, Ohio. and C. B. Anderson, Victoria Harbor, Ont.

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Stamp Cuts.

Important Ruling by Postmaster-General.

In our January issue we published a decision of the Postmaster-General that, according to Sec. 86 of the post office act, it was illegal to print cuts of postage stamps for illustration. All the Canadian papers were notified to discontinue the use of cuts. All did so except the *Montreal Philatelist*. The P. O. Act makes an exception in favor of persons who may use cuts *by permission of the Postmaster-General*. Both the publishers of the *Montreal Philatelist* and the ADVOCATE made formal request for permission but it was not granted, the requests being merely acknowledged by the P. M. G.

During the past few months we have had considerable correspondence in regard to this matter, and as a result we are pleased to announce that we have the promise of the Postmaster-General that he will make regulations without delay that will allow philatelic papers to use cuts. A later letter, dated June 12th, says "The matter is under consideration and it will only be a few days before they will be announced. As an interim measure the Department has decided not to interfere with the publication in stamp papers of cuts of stamps." Thus another victory for Philately is recorded.

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The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 18c.

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The above will be admitted to membership July 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$48.15.
Received for dues, etc.	4.83.
	52.98
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" postage	.89.
Convention expenses R G Widdicombe	5.00
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By the time this paper reaches the members the Convention will be in full swing. A full report will appear next month.

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No reports received this month.

Just a Little Personal.

"Publishers desiring an *impartial* and *unbiased* review of their publication based entirely on the *merits of the contents* thereof," etc., is the heading of the review department of a philatelic journal. The italics are ours. Knowing we would not get a fair review we do not send a copy of our paper to the reviewer but by some means he

secured a copy and we see one of the most asinine reviews ever given, and all based on the fact that our Editorial Column is headed "Editorial Opinions." The reason of the writer thus giving vent to his spleen is that one time we did not insist on "cash with copy" and this individual inserted an ad and never paid for it. He is now angered by us dunning him several times and thinks he has a chance to get back at us in an *impartial(?)* review.

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Don't offer too low or some one else will be ahead of you.

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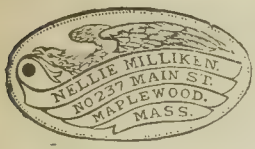

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Buy Boer Stamps.

They will soon increase in value.

The South African Republic is on its last legs, notwithstanding the many concotions of fancy brought forth by pro-Boers. The Boer Republic will soon be no more, and the grand old Union Jack of the greatest empire the world has ever seen, will float over a United South Africa where all people will now be free and equal. The wise collector is now filling up the blank spaces in his Transvaal and Orange State pages.

These stamps will be sure to be much higher priced in Scott's 60th catalogue. We present herewith the most recent postal emission of the Transvaal, the 4d olive registration envelope.—*Energy.*

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Some Pretty Stamps.

We present below illustrations of several of the recent issues of really pretty stamps. Tasmania has given us a set which for beauty, is equalled by few stamps issued by any country. The accompanying illustration is of the 2d value which presents a view of Hobart the capital of the island.

These stamps are watermarked T A S.

The other values of the set are:

½d green, with view of Lake Marion.
1d carmine " " " Mt. Wellington.
2½d blue " " " Tasman's Arch.
3d brown " " " Spring River.
4d orange " " " Russell Falls.
5d ultramarine " " Mt. Gould.
6d lake " " Dilston Falls.
Letter Card 2d purple on light blue.

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Brazil has also issued a set of stamps of pretty design, though otherwise crude, commemorative of the discovery of the country in 1500, by Pedro Alvarez Cabral, of which the view on the stamp we illustrate is emblematic.

The color of this stamp is red. The 200 reis, green and yellow, represents "Independence or death." 500 reis, blue, gives

a picture to represent "Emancipation" and the 700 reis shows a statue of the Republic.

This cut is of the 4½d Malta 1899. Its color is sepia. It is one of a set of four. The others are:

5d red.

2s. 6d olive.

10s slate.—*Energy.*

Engraving and Coloring of Stamps.

BY JOHN PELTZ.

It is a well known fact among philatelists who are unprejudiced that more than 75% of the stamps issued at the present time are not as finely executed in the engraving as many of those issued 20 to 30 years ago. Then the engravers did their work with great care, and beautiful pieces of art, which now repose in our albums, were the ultimate result of their labor. Now, however engravers are too much rushed for lack of time and other causes which result in a badly engraved or poorly colored stamp or set of stamps. The colors do not seem to match in many cases. Take the 1893 set of U. S. Columbian stamps, for instance. The colors of the 3c and the 30c could have been interchanged and the same is true of the 3c and $4.00 stamps. If this had been done the stamps would have been improved considerably—the colors thereon blended more and the set would not have been so homely looking.

The colors of the Omaha Trans-Mississippi issue are varied and pleasing presenting a beautiful and striking appearance in the album, but here the engraving is so badly executed that many collectors ridiculed them, especially the "buffalo" and the "Indian's pony" on the 4 cent value, which one well known collector designated as a "terrier chasing a pig;" and the 8 cent value on which the horse in the foreground has "two slender legs in front." I think most collectors would gladly have waited a few months longer to give the Bureau of Engraving and Printing time in which to do the work carefully. If the American Bank Note Co., of of New York. had engraved and printed these stamps we would have seen some fine workmanship on our U. S. stamps.

The designs of many of the old British Colonies are attractive and odd, such as Virgin Islands, Nova Scotia, etc., are pronounced by many collectors to be veritable beauties, both in engraving and printing. If the stamps executed these days were printed as carefully as those of twenty years ago collectors would not give up in disgust at the rapid increase of new issues for speculative purposes mostly, which are threatening the total destruction of our hobby. Many collectors go in for "beauty" and collect only such stamps that have been finely executed in engraving and coloring. Perhaps in the near future we shall have more stamps that are printed in two or more colors and these, if finely printed, collectors will hail with enthusiasm.

If collectors would cease collecting commemorative or Jubilee sets of stamps (the bulk of which are badly engraved) probably many of those stamp issuing countries would cease business in this line. But collectors will never cease collecting speculative unnecessary stamps, the more so since speculative stamps are now listed and priced in Scott's catalog.

The D. P. A. Convention.

The fifth annual Dominion Philatelic Association Convention is now a thing of the past. July 2nd and 3rd will linger long in the memory of those who gathered in Wherrys Hall, St. Catharines, Ont., to attend the most enthusiastic meet the society ever had.

Owing to the absence of President and Vice President, Mr. Ross D. Breniser, of Johnstown, Pa., was elected chairman by acclamation.

Mr. Geo. Bradley gave an address of welcome, thanking the members for their attendance and hoping that they would thoroughly enjoy themselves.

The reports of officers were read and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered each one for the excellent manner in which they had conducted the business of the society.

The Trustees reported that during the year they had settled complaints against C. B. Anderson, R. C. Bach, R. A. Swanke and the Exchange Supt. It was moved that the secretary inform the Librarian to have a list published of all the books and papers in the association library.

Mr. J. Ely, Eglinton, Ont., was elected to membership.

A motion was passed granting the St. Catharines members the amount of the expenses of the convention.

E. N. Kiefer wanted to change the name of the Society to something more international. It was decided that the present name is good enough.

It was moved and seconded that a committee consisting of R. S. Mason, Chas. S. Applegath and A. Rene, secure an illuminated certificate of membership at a cost not to exceed $3.00 per 100. These to be sold to the members at a reasonable price or to be given to each member securing 5 new members.

It was moved and seconded that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer be divided. After some lively discussion the motion was carried, and on a vote Mr. W. R. Brown was elected Treasurer.

It was decided to issue a supplement to the Handbook containing the names of new members, changes of address etc.

The afternoon session was then adjourned and a photo taken.

The evening meeting was opened by the reading of a paper by Geo. W. Starnaman, entitled "Real and Systematic Literature Collecting." During the balance of the evening an Auction Sale was held. The bidding was brisk in most cases. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable time was spent by all.

The morning session was called to order at 9.40. It was decided that the constitution be changed to read that the Secretary, Treasurer and Exchange Supt., each furnish bonds of $100.00 and the Auction Mgr. $25.00 within two weeks after election

Moved that the President appoint a committee of three in one city to make changes and receive suggestions in the constitution, these amendments to be published in the official organ and voted upon at next convention.

Moved and seconded that the publishers of the official organ shall not be allowed to support any candidates in the official organ. The motion was lost.

The meeting was then adjourned until 11.30, so as to allow the credential committee time to prepare their report.

The greatest interest centred on the result of the election which were as follows:

President, E. F. Wurtele 138 votes.
G. E. Davenport 34
Can. Vice Pres. T. S. Futcher 133
J. R. Seavey 33.
U. S. Vice Pres. E. L. Shove 117.
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A. R. Magill 76.
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Librarian F. I. Weaver (acc.) 137.
Ad. and Sub. Agent G. W. Hicks acc 133.
Attorney J. A. Wainwright acc. 135.
Auction Manager R. S. Mason acc. 138
Trustees W. A. Starnaman chairman 150
Three H. A. Chapman 142.
elected A. R. Butler 113
G. W. Hicks 53
E. A. Corker 31.
A. Rene 26
1901 Convention Seat Montreal acc 109.

Official Organ Philatelic Advocate acc 114. 181 ballots were received but several were spoiled.

As W. R. Brown was elected Exchange Supt he resigned the office of Treasurer and E. B. Mac Gillivray elected to fill vacancy. Among those in attendance were:
W. R. Brown, Fort William, Ont.
R. S. Mason, Hamilton, Ont.
Geo. Bradley, St. Catharines, Ont.
C. S. Applegath, Hamilton, Ont.
C. F. Robinson, Buffalo, N. Y.
D. F. Miller, Buffalo, N. Y.
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R. G. Widdicombe, St. Catharines, Ont.
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F. A. Brereton, Toronto; Ont.
C. B. Morden, Toronto, Ont.
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E. C. Philips, St. Catharines, Ont.
A. C. St. John, St. Catharines, Ont.

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The latest postmark advertisements out are "Texas State Fair. Sep. 29-Oct. 14, 1900" of Dallas, Texas, and "South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition 1901-1902" of Charleston, S. C.

The Pan-American stamps are to be bicolored and about a billion will probably be issued.

Some idea of the number of stamps used may be gathered by the requisition of the Postmaster-General for the printing of the stamps required for the coming year. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is called on for

one cent	stamps		1,078,186,000
two	"	"	3,109,834,000
three	"	"	34, 700,000
four	"	"	35,500,000
five	"	"	62,200,000
six	"	"	9,800,000
eight	"	"	16,800,000
ten	"	"	26,100,000
fifteen	"	"	3,500,000
fifty	"	"	70,000
$1	"	"	40,000
$2	"	"	3,000
$5	"	"	4,000

"Young America," is the patriotic name of a postoffice in Indiana.

The *Monarch Monthly* is a new stamp paper hailing from Chicago. Vol. 1. No. 1 has nothing in it to give promise of long life.

The busy season for philatelists is pretty nearly over for a time and collectors have put aside their albums for outdoor pleasures, and dealers are taking stock. To the small dealer there are several items to go to loss; several bad debts and one or two lost letters. They are heavy losses to him, with a small capital and a stock in proportion, and it usually happens that stamps stolen, or lost (alleged to be lost is perhaps more correct) in the mails are of the better class. "Bad debts, how to avoid and how to collect them" would make quite a book, but from bitter experience a few hints can be given. Don't send selections without references; the dealer who has been advertising, paying out without much return is, apt to jump at a chance to send stamps on approval without waiting for references. Investi-

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One dealer, who has been cutting the price on "Perfect Hinges," has taken offence at the item in July issue regarding the practice of selling these hinges at less than 10c per single thousand. We stated that collectors should buy from responsible dealers. This dealer states that he is perfectly responsible and can sell the "Perfect Hinge" at any price he pleases. We did not state that all who cut prices were dishonest but we know that some are. Further, no dealer can sell below the regular retail price for "Perfects" and keep it up long, as the manufacturers inform us that they appreciate our efforts to put down the practice and state that they will not sell hinges to any person selling below retail prices which are 10c per 1000, 25c for 3000, 40c for 5000.

If you are interested in Photography it will pay you to read F. W. Cutler's ad.

S. Fraser, L'Orignal, Ont., writes that he received a letter postpaid with a 2 cent stamp of the same color as the current 6 cent brown.

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Miss Amy L. Swift still denies, in the *Adhesive*, that she is the publisher of *Stampic America*. The editor of the *Stampman* settles the matter as follows: "We notice floating around in the stamp papers the statement that the anonymous publisher of that clever satire "Stampic America" is Miss Swift, of Whitman, Mass. We are quite prepared to believe this as the few copies we have been favored with were quite too bright for dull-witted man to produce.

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If you want a camera read C. H. Alley's ad.

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The July *Stampman* has been received. E. F. Carter is the victim this month for not having met D. W. Osgood.

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The publishers of this paper have accumulated a large number of philatelic papers and desire to sell them. There are over 2000 papers from 1886 to date, all are in good condition, but a few marked sample copy. The entire lot will be sold for $3.50, purchaser to pay freight. For further particulars address the publishers of this paper.

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get all references, and by references I mean something more than a statement by irresponsible Tommy Jones that his school boy friend Smith is of unblemished reputation, this is very likely true but the temptation to take stamps in excess of of pocketmoney is likely to cause a smirch of that fair fame. Commercial references are good to insist on, or those of a parent where a minor is concerned; the sticking of these may lose a few customers, but loss of money or stamps is almost certainly avoided. The dealer should have enough capital to enable him to refuse hazards, and it is a 90 to 1 shot but he gets caught where careless about reference,. The most careful will, however, suffer occasionally and then the question is how to collect. The following is a good rule to follow: the stamps having been sent on ten days approval, after allowing sufficient time for exchange of mails, send a polite card asking for returns, in 10 days a more peremtory one, and in another 10 days a letter calling attention to former correspondence and a notification that the matter will be placed in the hands of an attorney. Then wait 10 days and send the account to your attorney. With me this course has been successful in all but two cases and in these I " 'ave 'opes."

The lost letter, or the letter alleged to have been mailed, is another source of trouble. It is pretty safe to assume that if the following procedure does not secure the letter it has not been mailed to you. Write to the Postmaster of your town, to the Postmaster of the town at which the letter was mailed and, to the Dead-letter office at Washington, describing the missing article, when said to have been mailed, contents, name of sender and name of addressee. This usually brings you a tracer and after about four weeks a notification either that it has or has not been found.

Convention Notes.

BY "ED."

Some of the members who bought stamps in the sale, doubled their money next day.

Mr. E. N. Kiefer was very much in evidence with the Heinz Pickle cuff buttons.

Stamps on the original cover were very much sought after. The publishers of the ADVOCATE displayed a very fair collection.

Several members took bicycle trips to Niagara Falls—and some walked back with punctures.

Mr. Ross D. Breniser, Johnstown, Pa., came the longest distance to attend the convention 400 miles. J. Racke and E. N. Kiefer came a close second with 331 miles to their credit.

There is much dissatisfaction among the members because of dividing the offices of Secy-Treas. It is expected that action will be taken to consolidate the offices again.

The photographer thought it was the best looking group he ever took. (So it was.)

Some of those who had only been members for a month or so, took a very active part in discussions which could have been better handled by the older members.

The members agreed to use what influence they possess to get a cheap steamboat rate from Toronto to Montreal for the 1901 meet.

"Berlin 1902" seemed to be the favorite.

The *Jubilee Philatelist* for July contains what its editor calls a "good report" of the D. P. A. Convention. We do not know who wrote it but is evidently the work of an inexperienced person and from the way names of members are spelled, we should think it was a person who was entirely unacquainted with the members present. One paragraph says, "In the absence of the President and Vice President, Mr. R. D. Bremister, of Johnstown, Pa., was elected permanent Librarian." This statement is entirely incorrect there is no member named Bremister, and F. I. Weaver was elected Librarian by acclamation.

Another note says, "Mr. Permister, of Johnstown, Pa., was the first arrival. This is also wrong. W. R. Brown was the first to arrive, J. Racke and E. N. Kiefer were next, Starnaman Bros. close after them, Mr. Breniser next, while Mr. Permister was not at the meet at all. The writer also intimates that the 1900 meet will be at Montreal, which city is to have the 1901 meet.

St. Catharines is a noted fruit-growing district and some of the members sampled too much "juice" of what was apparently green fruit as it did not agree with them and caused considerable delay before the photograph was taken.

Mr. C. S. Applegath, Chas. Bailey, W. A. Starnaman and Geo. W. Starnaman are the only ones who have been at four consecutive meetings. Keep it up.

It was whispered that the office of Secy-Treas., was divided so as to make another office for office-seekers.

C. E. Holmes, former correspondent for a large number of journals, has apparently gone to the bad. The former Exchange Supt., has complained to the Trustees that Mr. Holmes has taken stamps to the value of over $23.00 off sheets and Mr. Shove can get no reply from him. His address is at present unknown.

Another Mean Man.

It has been said that the meanest man living is the one who substitutes stamps on sheets. The next meanest is the person who bids on stamps at auction sales and does not remit when notified that his bids are successful.

Special Offer!

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Fellow Members:—

The Exchange Dept has just commenced operations and I want to hear from all who wish to be put on a circuit. I should like to receive the dues of the suspended members and want every member to help build up the society.

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Secretary's Report.

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The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 15c.

APPLICATIONS.

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L. S. Holmes, 22 Victor St., London, Ont. 16, student. A. F. Wicks, Thomas Nopper.

H. R. McCabe, 238 George St., Toronto, Ont. publisher. A. F. Wicks, J. I. Johnson.

The above will be admitted to membership Aug 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

By an error Mr. Philip W. Jutras, Richmond, Que , was announced as suspended. This is incorrect as Mr. Jutras is fully paid up.

REINSTATED.

3. L. S. Graham, Merritton, Ont.
57. Ph. W. Jutras, Richmond, Que.
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A full report of the Convention will be found on another page.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$42.10
Received for dues, etc.....	5.59
	47.69
Paid Official Organ	4.54
" postage.....	.55
Postage for chairman of Trustees....	.70
Balance on hand.....	41.90
	47.69

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report.....	347
Paid up since.....	8
Reinstated.....	3
Total paid up.....	358

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Ex. Supt.'s Report.

Fellow Members:

I wish to thank you for electing me to the very important office of Exchange Supt. and trust that I may conduct the department to the satisfaction of all.

I expect to have the department in running order by Sept. 1st. The rules will be the same as last year. Books will soon be on sale at the usual price of six for twenty-five cents. Every member should do *his* part to make the department a success.

W. RUSSELL BROWN,
Ex. Supt.

Fellow Members;

While I do not know if it is the regular thing for defeated candidates to write to the official organ, still I am going to ask the secretary to let me have a little space in order that I may thank the members who voted for me for Exchange Superintendent.

Further I would say that although I have been done up Brown in the late election, yet I will always do my best by the D. P. A. which was the first philatelic association I ever joined.

I also hope that members will all work hard to get more members during the year and that before the next convention meets we will have 500 paid up members.

Again thanking the members for the support they gave me, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

July, 10, 1900. A. R. MAGILL.
Montreal, Que.

An Invitation.

The third annual convention of the Empire State Philatelic Society will be held Sept. 6, 7, and 8th at the Grand Union Hotel, N. Y. City. Members of the Dominion Philatelic Association are respectfully invited to attend. They can be present during the sessions which are to be held in the evenings of the dates named.

As there are a large number of D. P. A. members who reside near the Convention City they may wish to attend therefore the Committee has seen fit to extend this invitation to your association.

Yours very truly,
A. HERBST,
Chairman Com. on Arrangements.

For further particulars, address,
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Bonds Received.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of bonds from Secretary, Auction Manager and Exchange Supt.

W. A. Starnaman, Chairman Trustees

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Anyone wishing photograph of the 1900 Convention can secure same at 50c postfree from R. G. Widdicombe St. Catharines, Ont

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R. S. MASON, Auc. Mgr., Hamilton, Ont

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Bids close on the 20th. Rules Free. Bid liberally, anyone can bid.

If Val. G. Feind will remit the 64c he owes this department, it will prevent his name being published again.

Lot No.	*unused.	Reserve.
112	New Zealand 70—½d news. 1895	.20
116	Japan 50 asst, 5 var	.15
118	Canada 100 asst 3rd Bill 5 var	.35
119	" 1st Bill $2.	.50
120	" Jubilee, ten 1c	.15
121	" " ten 2c	.20
122	" " 25 3c	.10
123	" 4 leaf ½ to 10c	.25
125	" 100 2c purple	.10
126	" 500 2c red	.20
127	" 1000 2c red	.35
128	" 25 2c 2c on 3c 4 leaf	.35
129	" 25 2c 2c on 3c num	.25
130	" 500 1c green	.28
131	*U. S. Prop. Rev. com. 12 var.	
132	*U. S. '76 Cent. Env. 3c green ent	.20
133	U. S. 1890 issue 1c to 90 complete	.55
134	U. S. 1894 " 1c to $1 "	.45
135	New Bruns. Law 10c, 20c, 50c, $2	.59
136	Newfld 1 pr. ea. 3c '90, 3c Jub, 1c '97	
137	Hawaiian Is. 1 pr. 1882, 5c	
138	*Sarawak 1 pr Scott's No. 22	
139	Newfld 3 ½c 1887	
140	Canada 2c Reg. Strip of 3	.06
141	Quebec Laws 6 var. cat. 67c	.25
142	500 mixed foreign	.10
143	4 10c num. and 1 20c	.08
144	*Mexico 1890, 9 var.	
145	4 100 var packets	.20
146	English Army off. 100 2 var.	.23
147	*Cuba 2 sets 5 var.	.08
148	Simoor 3 pies. two	
149	Chili Telegraph, 3 var.	
150	900 assorted	
151	Canada 50 blue 1892	.20
152	" 25 maps asst	
88	1500 foreign	
159	*U. S. Doc. ½c orange block of 4	.13
164	Mexico 2p 1884	
174	U. S. 1c 1870	.20
165	U. S. 1c 1873	.12

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Hawaii, 1893 2c env. black surcharge 10c
Sunjei Ujong 1894, 1c on 5c. 3c
Rhodesia '96 1sh gr. and ult. 25c
Venezuela 1887, 25c orange roul. 4c

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MY 8TH SALE OF CANADIAN STAMPS.

Stamps are used unless otherwise stated. Postage to be paid by purchaser. Make an offer on any of these lots, Don't offer too low as others are bidding against you. Best offer before AUG. 20th takes them.

Lot. No. All Canadian unless specified.

1. 25 2c on 3c maple leaf cat. val. $ .75
2. 25 2c on 3c numeral " " .50
3. 1 6c Jubilee unused " " .65
4. 28 Postcards (9 Jub., 19 1c red)
5. 100 2c Imperial (maps) cat. val. 2.00
6. 200 3c red, 4 leaf " " 2.00
7. 50 5c before Jubilee " " .50
8. 50 8c " " " " 1.00
9. 50 ½c " " " " 1.00
10. 100 3c Jubilee " " 2.00
11. 50 2c before Jubilee " " .50
12. 125 1c green, and 60 surch " 2.00
13. 23 var. Puerto Rico unused " 1.20
14. Unused Chili 1900 34 1c, 44 2c, 2 30c
15. 50 Native Indian States, 4 var.
16. 4 ½c Newfoundland (baby head)
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½p green, 1p rose and 2p mauve, fine 10c
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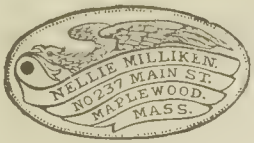

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Second Auction Sale

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Postage to be paid by purchaser.

Lot No.	*Means unused.	No. in Lot.
1.	Mexico, 1884, 50c green, imp., value $1	25
2.	" " " " " " another lot	50
3.	" " " " " " " "	50
4.	" " " " " " " "	25
5.	* " 1887, 2c carmin, ruled p. cat $1.	25
6.	* " " " " " another lot	25
7.	* " " 5c blue, no gum ruled p. part ruled	100
8.	* " " " " " " " cat 25c	100
9.	* " " 10c lilac, ruled p. no gum, cat 40c	50
10.	* " " " " " " " another lot	75
11.	* " " " " " " " " "	25
12.	* " " " " " " " " "	50
13.	* " 1892, 12c scarlet, rare, value 50c	10
14.	* " " " " " " another lot	15
15.	* " " " " " " " "	15
16.	* " " 1c green, perf. 5½, cat 25c	50
17.	* " " " " " " another lot	50
18.	* " " 3c scarlet " " cat 25c	50
19.	* " " " " " " another lot	50
20.	* " 1889 Envelopes, 20 × 20 scarlet, rare	10
21.	" " " " " " another lot	5
22.	* " " " " " " " "	5
23.	* " 1885 Postal Cards 2 × 2 carm (Union postal)	25
24.	* " " " " " " "	15
25.	* " " " " " " "	10
26.	* " " " " " (S. Urbano)	15
27.	* " " " " " "	20
28.	* " " " " " "	15
29.	" " " 3 × 3 brown (Union postal) cancelled to order)	25
30.	" " " same as above another lot	25
31.	* " " " 5 × 5 blue (S. Interior cat 50	10
32.	* " " " " " " another lot	20
33.	* " " " " " " " "	10
34.	* " " " " " " " "	10
35.	*U. S. 1873 3c, cat $2.50	1

36. Dominican Jubilee, six 5c and six 10c all on cover, (6 envelopes) 6
37. Porto Rico, surcharged on U. S. two 5c and six 2c (Puerto Rico) on cover 8
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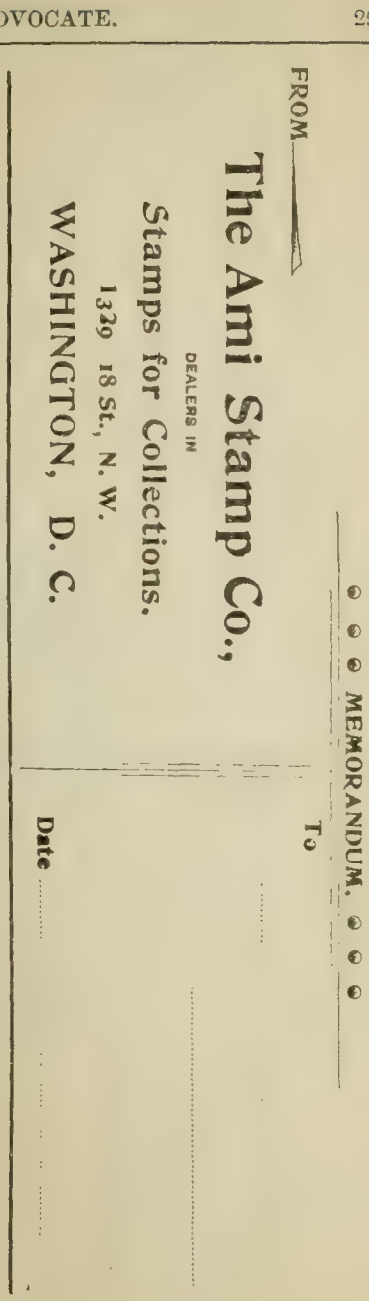

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*So. Australia 1d carmine.....	.03
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*Alexandria on France, 1, 2, 3, 4....	.04
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The Postal Service During the Civil War.

BY A LLOYD JONES

In a recent issue of the ADVOCATE there appeared an excellent article by A. R. Butler anent the U. S postal service during the Spanish-American war. It showed how nearly perfect a system was organized amid the chaos and havoc of war, and of the patriotism of the postal officials on service there. This gave me the idea of interviewing an old "vet" on the condition of the post office System during the Civil War. I expected to bring out a strong contrast between conditions then and those in the late "Yanko-Spanko" war, but judge of my surprise when he said, and it has since been corroborated by others, that the postal system during the Civil War worked perfectly.

"We didn't give much thought to the postal or baggage system while we were in the army but accepted the promptness and completeness as a matter of course. Looking back at it now I wonder at the patience, energy and alertness of those who organized the plan and carried it out. Letters were addressed to the company and regiment and often by people who were careless in writing names and in giving the number of the regiment, but in some way the letters came to hand. Often letters sent from Germany, England or France were a puzzle in direction, but the army postal authorities made it a point to have them reach their destination.

The custom then was for the soldier's letters to be franked and for the postage to be paid at the receiving office. Before this was generally understood our sutler received letters from the boys, each one paying the postage and he guaranteeing that they would go forward postage paid. Some one discovered that the sutler would take every night thirty or forty letters to the Colonel's tent, have them franked and send them forward without stamps. When the scheme was exposed, the Colonel issued an order asking the men of the regiment to send their letters to his headquarters and not to the sutler. I have scores of the old envelopes bearing the signature of the Colonel or the regimental adjutant.

Most of the men when paid, retained part of their money and at once mailed the balance home, and it was usually in the form of paper money. All this was well known by all the soldier and headquarter attaches, there was never a case reported in which letters containing money were tampered with at the regimental, brigade or division headquarters. No money was lost in transit, except when trains were captured by General Joe Wheeler, General Forrest or General Morgan. When there was indisputable proof of the capture of such letters the government made the loss good."

I honestly believe that the patriotic impulse and whole-hearted sympathy of those entrusted with the management had as much to do with the system during the Civil War as during the Spanish-American war.

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Our Eye

BY PURITAN

Mr. C. A. Howes, of Boston, has shown me a set of the Philippine Islands' stamps issued by the Aguinaldo band of insurgents. There is a regular postage stamp, 2c carmine with the word "Correos" at top and "Filipinas" at bottom, with the sun burst in centre and the mystic "K. K. K." at the three points of a triangle. These letters represent a secret organization known as the Katipunan Society that the revolutionists have membership in. In this same design is a "Telegraphos", 2c mauve. The newspaper stamp 1 mil black, and the receipt stamp 10c de peso brown have the same central design of the sun burst, but there is an inscription aronnd the sun burst "Gob'no Revolucianos Filipinas." The 8c green Registration stamp differs from these last two in the central design of a star. The stamps all bear the "K. K. K." and the date 1898-1899.

Mr. Howes has made the Indian Native States a special study and has in preparation an exhaustive article on the area, government and ruless of the different states. He has settled the Punch question foı me at least with this statement: Poonch or Punch is one of the principal divisions of Kashmir, there being three, viz: Kashmir proper (the "vale of Cashmere") the former principality of Jammu (Jammoo) and the rajaship of Punch. There is a number of smaller divisions also.

The rajah of Punch, Moti Singh governs a district the area of which is 1600 square miles with a population of 80,000. The capital and chief city is Punch.

I have seen a 1c Canada, current issue, mailed at Toronto and used to prepay postage upon a circular. The cancellation seemed to be of the pre-cancelled type. It consists of three lines, a wavy line between two others, all horizontally across the face of the stamp. There is no lettering, but perhaps some Toronto philatelist can tell us whether there is any method in this cancellation.

We have been once more been made acquainted with the delightful uncertainty connected with the sale of a provisional issue. A Chicago dealer has been advertising sets of the "V. R. I." surcharged on Orange Free State from ½ to 6d for $1.00. These stamps have been selling for twice that sum and I venture the assertion that many, many sets have been sold "O, that I had waited!" exclaims the purchaser who got in on the ground floor. My friend be not dismayed. The next time you are among the first to respond you may be well repaid for your promptness. I do not doubt you have been many times in the past. Now, what are the facts in this particular case? Your dealer received the "V. R. I.'s" from a wholesaler, who in turn got them from an agent to whom he no doubt paid a commission for his trouble in buying and forwarding these provisionals. In other words, the stamps passed through three agencies ere you received them. Again when these came on the market there was no surety that a second

lot would ever show up. Indeed *this very day* a new provisional may have been brought into use. If not, prices will go still lower.

I learn that a new "V. R I." for use in the Transvaal has been issued. It has been seen at this writing (Aug 12) only on the 1d and I presume there will be a mad rush for these provisionals.

The advance sheets of Scott's 1901 catalogue are being awaited with interest. The first instalment is expected in the early part of September. To the unititiated it might be stated that these sheets are supplied to those dealers and collectors who are so desirous of getting advance information that they are willing to pay for the privilege. I anticipate many changes in the prices of United States Colonials.

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

With the extension of rural free delivery come various regulations for the government of that service; "Drop letter" or one cent rate is abandoned, though otherwise no change in rates is caused by the free delivery. The carriers are not to bring to the office mail matter collected by them which may be delivered on their routes before completing their trips. The benefit of the stamps cancelled will go to the postmaster where the delivery is made, if he be of the fourth class. The cancelation will be made, until suitable stamps can be provided, with the indelible pencil furnished to the carrier for use in registering letters.

The Postmaster General has issued a circular extending domestic rates of postage and other advantages, as far as possible, to all ordinary unregistered mail sent to or from persons in the military or naval service of the United States while they are in China.

On July 1, 1900, 47 postoffices came into the Presidential class, while 11 Presidential postoffices were relegated to the fourth class.

In spite of the hot weather Drew & Co. and Bogert & Durbin have been holding successful auction sales. Prices were higher than might have been expect . The former firm succeeded in getting for a set of Hawaiian officials, and the writer, who expected to get some bargains, found that the prices almost always exceeded his limits. This is a decidedly encouraging prospect for the coming season.

The 1900 edition of the International Postage Stamp Album will have no space for cut square envelopes or wrappers other than those of the U. S.

Independent of patriotism, the philatelic sons of the Lady of the Snows who are fighting for the Empire in South Africa will almost be repaid for their hardships if they can corral a few sets of the Mafeking provisionals. A set of 19 varieties is worth £50. Our Aguinaldo provisionals and overprinted colonials haven't as much romance connected with them, though interesting.

Grant's Philatelic Monthly has joined the ranks of 25 cent journals.

Joseph Vincent, Quebec, has been debarred from the U. S. mails for violation of the lottery act.

The Postmaster-General has established in China "Military Postal No 1, China" and this postmark will be an interesting one on U. S. stamps for collections of adhesives on original cover.

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The Toronto Daily Globe says, "The Philatelic Advocate announces that the Postmaster-General has, after considerable correspondence decided to allow philatelic papers to illustrate stamps. This is quite a victory for The Advocate, as the question of the right to use cuts has been disputed for a good many years and by a good many people, without any results heretofore."

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Printers' Ink contains the following regarding the circulation of papers devoted to Numismatics, Philately and Antiques. The circnlation figures are taken from the "American Newspaper Directory." "Nine publications accorded average issues of more than 1,000 copies are listed under this classification. There appears to be one, however, devoted to numismatics and only one having a circulation of at least 4,000, viz. : *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News*, St. Louis, (Mo.). In 1895 its smallest issue was 11,500 but indications seem to [illegible] estimate—exceeding 4,000. The Berlin (Ont.) *Philatelic Advocate* is given 3,192, and apparently comes next. The New York *Philatelist* is credited with 1,591, and the Richmond (Va.) *Virginia Philatelist* with 1,050. The circulation of the others is estimated at exceeding 1,000 copies each."

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The following letter shows that Perfect hinges have been offered at less than regular rates and orders are not being filled. We publish it by special request.

Bath, Me. May 24, 1900.

Excelsior Stamp Co.

Dear Sir:—

On May 9th I sent L. H. Reed, Box 47, Flagler, Iowa, ninety-five cents for 20,000 Perfect hinges, having seen his

ad in "The Philatelic Chronicle." Up to this evening I have heard nothing from him, and I am beginning to feel sorry that I had not waited a few days longer, for then it was, I learned where the Perfect Hinges are manufactured. Can you give us any information regarding said party? If so, would be pleased to hear from you.

Yours very truly,
Geo. S. Lord, Secretary.
Shipping City Stamp Co.

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H. A. Chapman's *Adhesive* grows more interesting each issue. Like the ADVOCATE it is one of the philatelic journals you can not get along without. We give both papers one year for 30c.

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Treymond Babcock has sold out his Junior's Collector.

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We acknowledge receipt of wholesale and retail price lists from W. J. Edgar, Box 173, St. John's, Newfoundland. It's free.

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For 15c we will send 15 different back numbers of the ADVOCATE before 1899. They will be mailed with October number, but if wanted at once add 6c for postage. Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

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The July issue or midsummer number of the Corticelli Home Needlework Magazine is now being mailed to subscribers. This number contains 96 pages of most interesting and instructive reading on Old Embroideries, Drawn Work in Color, Lessons in Embroidery, and much other useful information to lovers of art needlework. It also contains, besides being profusely illustrated, a number of colored plates. 35 cents pays for a year's subscription to the above paper and the ADVOCATE.

Much has been said lately about precancelled stamps. It is a common occurence in Canadian cities when firms are sending out a large number of circulars, catalogues, etc , to have the stamps cancelled before using. When the D. P. A. Handbook was mailed we used half-cent stamps. The postage required was 2 cents to U. S. and 1 cent to Canada taking nearly 2100 half cent stamps. To save the postmaster the trouble of handling the packages over for cancelling, the stamps were cancelled in sheets of 100.

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The manufacturer of Model hinges requests the insertion of the following : A misunderstanding. Owing to a misunderstanding on the part of a well known U. S. stamp firm, Model Hinges have [illegible] offered to the public at less than [illegible] rates. Dealers selling Model hinges at cut prices cannot obtain more from manufacturer. The above mentioned firm has promised to remedy their mistake.

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President's Message.

To the members,
Dominion Philatelic Association
Dear Sirs,

Re:—Fifth Annual Convention and Election of Officers.

A report on the election of officers at the 5th Annual Convention of the Association having been sent to me, I desire to notify you that the election as regards the office of Secretary-Treasurer was inconsistent with the constitutional powers and in consequence cannot be entertained as effective.

The members present at the meeting considered it desirable to divide the office of Secretary-Treasurer into that of a Secretary and Treasurer and under Article IX, Sec. 1. carried out their desire. This change in the Constitution could not come into force for the late election, as absent members had no opportunity of being conversant with the same at that time, and had voted under the former condition of affairs and in accordance with the nominations which had been made in advance of the election. The matter of nominations was evidently overlooked and a vote taken immediately after the change was made.

The Constitution requires that three months previous to each election, the Secretary shall call for nominations, and which in this case was not done owing to the change being made at the meeting and the election having taken place on the same day. I therefore declare that Mr. Geo. W. Starnaman is the duly elected Secretary-Treasurer and that the election which divided this office into two separate ones is non-effective.

This decision is based upon a desire to recognize the rights of members as provided for under the Constitution and it is hoped will be satisfactory to all concerned.

The Constitution having been changed with respect to the separation of this office nominations for 1901 will be made accordingly.

Yours truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE.
President.

Vice-President's Report

To the Members of the D P. A.
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I beg to thank you most heartily for again electing me Vice-President for Canada.

Our association is making splendid progress, and is worthy of support by all philatelists; I wish every member would try and induce a friend to join, we would soon get five hundred paid up members. I will do my best to get members out here in the far West and again thanking you,

I remain,
Yours faitfully,
THOS. S. FUTCHER.
Victoria, B. C. Vice President

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

510. Mrs. Grace Cross, Chelsea, Mass.
511. L. S. Holmes, London, Ont.
512. H. R. McCabe, Toronto, Ont.
513. C. E. Cooley, Peekskill, N.Y.
514. H. W. Fryer, Collingwood, Ont.
515. C. A. Huestis, Brookline, Mass.
516. A. Pellerano, Santo Domingo, W. I.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 15c.

APPLICATIONS.

Chas. A. Newhall, Berkeley, Calif. Age 18, student. Refs. Walter N. Lester, Luther Newhall.

Basil G. Butler, P. O. Box 311, Camden, S. C. Mer Broker. Refs. A. W. Butler, Starnaman Bros.

William H. Young, 218 McCaul St., Toronto. 35, carpenter. Refs C. Ussher, R. F. Wrigley.

Frank B. Lyle, Standard Bank, Chatham, Ont. 25, teller. Refs W. Russell Brown, E. B. MacGillivray.

Julius Hincke, Nth. Reading Mass. 46, advertising distributer. Starnaman Bros. Eli S. Moyer.

E. Lodge, Gower St., St. John's, Nfld. 31, Teacher. Chas. Bailey, G. Starnaman

R. D. Thomson, 13 Clifford St., Glasgow Scotland. 20 stamp dealer. Gordon L. Cockburn, H. G. Thorpe.

Percy A. Gordon, Guttenberg, N. J. 15, student. Starnaman Bros. A. Girschner.

The above will be admitted to membership Sep. 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

SUSPENDED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DTES.

436. J. W. Morrison, Toronto, Ont.
485. (Miss) Helen G. Doyle, Goeerich, Ont
464. R. B. Danforth, Woodmere, Mich.
462. W. Loyd, St. Catharines, Ont.
480. W. K. Gibb, Galt, Ont,

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

327. Henry Rice, 249 West 115th St., N. Y. City.
395. W. A. McDonell, Victoria Mine, Whitefish, Ont.
H. I. Collins, Deloraine, Man.
Treymond Babcock, c/o Galveston Business College, Galveston, Texas.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$41.90
Received for dues, etc.....	2.22
	44.12
Paid Official Organ	4.64
" postage.....	.85
Paid extra convention expenses....	2.00
Express on papers to library.....	.25
Balance on hand.....	36.38
	44.12

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report.....	358
Paid up since.....	4
Total paid up.....	368

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

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Supplementary Report of the ex-Exchange Supt.

Fellow Members:

Since my report to the convention I have retired 24 books, value of same $156.64, sales $44.15, but of this amount I am unable to collect $23,93 this account is against C. E. Holmes of Montreal and is now in the hands of the Trustees. Cash received for commissions etc., $2.02. Amount expended for postage etc., $1.44, due me as per report to convention .70, due me now .12, Insurance fund amounts to $7.51. It will be seen that the amount in the insurance fund is not large enough to pay all the claims that will be made against it in case the Holmes account should prove uncollectable, and in such an event the members interested (five in number) will have to share what cash there is proportionately and wait for the balance.

I am, fraternally,

ERWIN L. SHOVE,

Unionville, N. Y. Ex-Exch. Snpt.

Trustees Report.

Fellow Members:

Believing that the name "Exchange Superintendent" is misleading to the members, we hereby approve of the change suggested by Mr. W. R. Brown that the office be known hereafter as "Supt of Sales."

Members are requested to remember that the Trustees are not for the purpose of collecting bad debts for the members. Such matters should be sent to the Attorney.

W. A. Starnaman, Chairman.
Henry A. Chapman.
Arthur R. Butler.

JOIN THE D. P. A.

Report of Sales' Supt.

Fellow Members:—

I expect to have the department in running order by Sept. 15th. All members who wish to be put on circuit should let me know at once, and those unknown to me must give reference. This course is necessary on account of recent losses in the department. Books valued less than $3 00 not circulated.

On account of the laws of certain provinces and states, I must request that members under 21 years of age shall furnish the consent of parent or guardian when requesting stamps.

W. RUSSELL BROWN,
Fort William, Ont. Supt. of Sales.

The Librarian's report will appear next issue.

22nd D. P. A. Auction Sale.

Bids close on the 18th. Rules free. Bid liberally. Val. G. Feind please do not bid.

Lot No.	*unused	Reserve
116	Japan 50 asst, 5 var.	.15
119	Canada 1st issue bill $2	.50
120	" Jubilee, ten 1c	.15
121	" " ten 2c	.20
122	" " 25 3c	.10
123	" 4 leaf ½c to 10c	.25
126	" 500 2c red	.20
128	" 25 2c on 3c four leaf	.35
129	" 25 2c on 3c numeral	.25
146	100 English Army Off., 2 var	.23
147	*Cuba two sets, 5 var	.08
150	900 asst foreign	
151	Canada, 50c blue	.20
154	*U S Doc ½c orange, block of four	.13
174	U S 1c 1870	.20
165	" 1c 1873	.12
202	" Colonies, 65 var, cat. $2.20	.80
203	" News, 1879, 2c, 10c	
204	" Rev. 50c lease imp	
205	" " $2 Mortg, $2 Conv, 50c tick	
206	" " $3 Charter, $3 Man.	
207	" $5 Con. $1 Sec iss.	
208	" $5 Prob. of Will	
209	" ditto	
210	" 9 var Doc and 4 var Prop.	
211	" Rev Life Ins. 25c imp.	
212	" Inl. Ex imp 9 p Vict.	
213	British Honduras 1c, 2c, 1c on 1p	
214	U S 1873 12c—15c	
215	Hawaiian 2c rose, env	
216	Canada 3d beaver	
217	8 good British Colonials	
218	Spain 1870 200m	
219	Canada 100 3c Jubilee	.30
220	Four app books 60 var in each	
221	U S Columbians 1c 500	
222	" " 2c 1000	
223	2000 asst foreign	
224	U S 1890 500 1c	
225	" " 2000 2c	
226	" 1895 500 1c	
227	" " 5000 2c	
228	" " 400 4c	
229	" " 500 5c	
230	" " 1000 10c	
231	" 1898 500 1c	
232	" 500 2c green	
233	" 500 3c green	
234	" 500 2c brown	
235	" 100 2c dues 1895	
236	" 500 Rev 2c Checks asst.	
237	" Doc Rev 1c 1000	
238	" " " 10c 500	
239	*Sierra Leone Set of 4, Scott 104-5-6-7	
240	Canada 100 5c numerals	.25
241	Barbados set 5 var	.05
242	Canada Law 10c fine new issue	.10
243	Nova Scotia 2c	.25
244	Canada 100 3rd issue bill asst	.35
245	" 1000 2c red, soaked	.35
246	" Jubilee *8c	.12
247	" 25 5c beavers	.50
248	" 10 5c "	.25
249	Chili 50 assorted	.18
250	Canada 25 ass. registers	.15

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All Canadian except first 5 lots and No. 20.
Best offer before SEPT. 20th takes them.
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9. 200 3c red 4 leaf " " 2.00
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12. 25 8c before Jubilee Cat. val. .50
13. 25 5c " " " " .25
14. 200 3c red 4 leaf " " 2.00
15. 50 2c maps assorted shades " 1.00
16. 28 postcards (9 jubilee, 19 1c red)
17. 25 2c on 3c numerals Cat. value .50
18. 25 2c on 3c 4 leaf " " .75
19. 50 3c Jubilee " " 1.00
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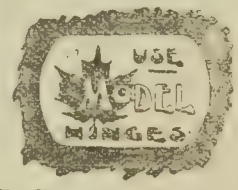

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" Guiana 1889 12c pen mkd	.35	3.25
" " Jubilee 1c	.15	1.20
" " " 2c	.20	1.25
" " " 2c on 5c	.35	3.15
British South Africa (Rhodesia)		
1896 4 pence	.75	7.00
1896 6 pence	.75	7.00
1896 1 shilling	2.25	
1899 1 "	1.75	
Canada 1859 5c Beavers	.20	1.75
" 1892 5c slate		.25
" 1893 8c slate		.40
" Registers 2c	.10	.65
" Registers 5c	.10	.50
Chili 1 peso brown	1.55	
Congo 1894 50c green & blk	.60	5.00
" 1896 40c " "	.90	
Cuba on United States		
1c green	.10	.80
2c red	.10	.80
5c blue	.25	2.25
10c brown	.75	6.25
Gold Coast 1884-91 Obsolete		
3 pence olive	.55	5.00
6 " orange	.35	3.25
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Holland 1891-94 1 gulden lilac	.85	7.50
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" 1896 1 gulden	.85	8.00
" 1898 1 " Jubilee	1.35	12.00
Leeward Island 1s pen mkd	.50	4.00
Liberia 1880 12c used	1.00	
" 1880 24c used	1.00	
" 1880 24c unused	1.00	
Canada M. L. ½ to 10c	2.10	
Numerals ½ to 10c	1.45	
Hungary 1900, 1-2-3-5-10-25	.30	2.50

Labuan Jubilee 1896 6c	.30	2.50
" 1896 8c	.30	2.50
" error 1897 18c	.40	3.00
" 1897 1c	.10	.60
Russia 1 Rouble Brn & Orang	1.30	
United States Omaha 50c	1.65	
" " $1.00	6.00	
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United States 1895 15c B.,	.15	1.20
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Antwerp Exhibition 5-10-25	25	2 50
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Argentine Republic, 10 kinds	.20	1.75
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Uruguay 10 kinds, special	.65	6.00
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FRANK P. ADAMS, Decorah, Iowa.

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To the one purchasing the most from my Approval sheets at 50% discount, between now and 1st of Dec. will receive free

1st prize	a packet of stamps cat.	$2.00
2nd "	" " " " "	1.00
3rd "	" " " " "	.50
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10c per 1000.

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United States Minutes.

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The Treasury Department circular of July 1, giving the exchange values of foreign coins shows the dollar is the unit of value in several countries and that the worth of this unit in U. S. coin varies considerably. The Dollar of British North America, British Honduras and of Liberia is worth $1.00 gold U. S., that of Newfoundland $1.014, while those of silver standard countries, such as Hongkong, Straits Settlements and Labuan (Mexican dollars), and Mexico are worth $0.476. The Peso, often stated to be equivalent to a dollar is pretty nearly equivalent to a Mexican dollar in the silver standard South American countries, but in Uruguay (gold standard) it is equivalent to $1.034 U. S. This should be remembered in estimating the cost of dealers' advertised bargains, a one cent stamp of Johore, for instance, advertised o. g. at two cents, is being sold at over four times its face value, and so on in proportion. When sending money to foreign countries under this unit, $1 Canadian or U. S. should purchase over $2 face value of stamps.

The South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition, having been denied a special set of stamps, has gotten out a brilliant bi-colored sticker, after the style of the Buffalo ones advertised so freely. It is diamond shaped, vermillion ground lettering, with a centre view in dark blue of the Isle of Palms.

The J. M. Bartels Co., warn dealers and collectors against Z. K. Dowse of Mahwah, N. J., and Chas Dover, 3025 East 6th St., Kansas City, Mo. They are alleged to have obtained stamps on approval and to have made no returns for them.

The *Nebraska Philatelist*, a promising monthly, has yielded up the ghost; cause: failure to get a transfer of second class rates from Hastings to Omaha.

The neat rubber stamp "R. F. D." cancellation of the Rural Free Delivery is beginning to appear frequently in the mails.

The Dodgeville-Mineral Point (Wisconsin) mail route probably enjoys the distinction of costing the government as little as any. One cent per year pays the contractor for hauling the mails 18 miles every day, except Sundays, rain or shine.

A badly arranged monthly, with reprinted articles and "shaky" advertisements, has been sending me sample copies for a month or two, and recently forwarded one with a paragraph conspicuously marked with ink. This was to the effect that they had concluded to discontinue the sending of sample copies, and intimated quite

plainly that they expected 25c by return mail. The sample copy fiend is worthy of anything evil that could be done to him, even of the dark and terrible punishments conceived by the editor of the *Adhesive*, but is the publisher worthy of better treatment who, without request from a victim, seeks to establish a color of a claim upon his generosity by forwarding successive copies of a valueless publication, and boldly makes a demand for a subscription?

When the Scott Stamp and Coin Company in their announcement of the new album, conclude the abandonment of space for the foreign cut square envelopes and wrappers they bring one step nearer the time when printed albums will be the exception instead of the rule. The collector of entires will take it for a token that his part of the science is waxing prominent, but really there is nothing of the kind indicated, as the envelopes and wrappers are left entirely out, and will require a separate album. Printed albums are becoming useless, the collector who has a large enough collection to make a respectable showing in one of the International albums uses a blank album, and the printed albums are bought by beginners and as presents, to be abandoned when the uselessness of attempting to get a complete collection comes before the philatelist. One thousand stamps in a blank album look far better than 5000 in one of the last edition of the International. The Standard catalogue is the key that should be used to classify and arrange, and a pencil note of the catalogue number will enable ready reference to a cut and description in a portable shape.

The U. S. government will issue new documentary stamps in about thirty days. It is declared impossible to wash the stamps without being detected instantly, as they change color. The new stamps will be a grayish drab. The denomination of the stamps will be printed in figures on different colors, each denomination having a different color of its own.

Recently a communication was sent from the post office department at Ottawa, Can. to Washington asking if the United States postal authorities regarded the Philippines as coming under the domestic postal rate, or, in other words, whether the Philippines were United States territory, and the reply was in the affirmative. Accordingly today the Canadian postal authorities issued a notification to all postmasters that on and after the 1st of October next the domestic rate will apply to Porto Rico, Hawaii, Guam, the Philippines and the American Islands of the Samoan group.

The peculiarity of this order is that while the distance from Canada to the Philippines is twice that from Canada to Great Britain, the postal rate to the latter is just double that to the Philippines. To Great Britain it is 2 cents per half ounce. while to the Philippines it will be 2 cents per ounce.—*Washington Star. 9-8-00.*

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An announcement of our special 20th Century Number will be noticed on the back cover. Any persons who do not wish to use a large space at one time, can buy 12 inch ad checks for $2.00, or 36 inch ad checks for $5.00. Of course it must be understood that no ad will be inserted unless cash or checks accompanies your copy. But as it is a few months before it will be issued, if you do not wish to send your ad now, let us know how much space you require, and we will inform you when to send copy and payment of your ad.

Thos. S. Futcher.

Our present Vice-President of the D. P. A. although residing in the far West, where there is not one quarter of the collectors or members of the D. P. A. has done more work than any former vice-president.

Mr. Futcher was born in 1847, some fifty-two years ago, and about 1862 made a collection of postage stamps, revenues, entires and postal cards, but, like most of our best collectors, gave up collecting until 1887, when he took up collecting with increased interest beginning as a dealer in that year doing a store business only, not doing any mail trade whatever.

He wishes to exchange revenues and bill stamps for British Columbia law stamps.

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Orange River Colony.

Ewen's News contains the interesting information that the 2½d blue, Cape of Good Hope, has been surcharged in three lines :

ORANGE
RIVER
COLONY.

It is reported that minor varieties exist, consisting of letters slightly above or below the rest of the word. A correspondent states that he has seen the surcharge with the period after "COLONY" missing. Are we now to be favored with an entire new set of surcharges on Cape stamps?—*Weekly Era.*

Information.

BY CHAS. F. ROBINSON.

In plate 262 of the one cent periodical the division lines meet in a focus over V in the word "Engraving" in the imprint; also in plate 269 of the two cent periodical while on plate 100 the point of focus is between A and V.

The reprints of 1875 were perforated 12, notwithstanding the fact that the reprints of 1856-61 were 15.

The first year that International money orders were sold to British Guiana, 84 were drawn for a total value of $1249.57 and 279 paid for $2724.56.

The U. S. has a post office in China, at Shanghai. Five cent stamps are the ones most used. For shipment there the stamps are placed in specially constructed tin boxes to keep them from sticking and becoming ruined.

I recently saw a copy of the 3c, 1870 with the grill covering the entire stamp.

700,00 of the 5 sen and 14,300,000 of the 2 sen Japanese Silver Wedding stamps were issued.

The manufacture of letter sheets was discontinued on August 30, 1894 by the order of the Postmaster-General.

Postmasters in the United States are not permitted to arrange for fictitious canceling of stamps, thereby gaining personal profit for themselves and the purchaser at the expense of the department.

I have several copies of envelopes addressed to me with only the post mark upon them. They were mailed in a small town where I spent the summer by an employee of the P. O. and put in my box without a postage stamp of any kind. If they are of any value I would be pleased to hear from any one interested in them.

Selected Paragraphs.

BY JOHN PELTZ.

I herewith present my readers with a few extracts from various old issues of philatelic papers, accompanied with comments on them by the author, i. e. myself. The fact is that any philatelic paper can profitably clip some short notes, or good articles from old files of philatelic journals; there are always new readers among us, and the old ones may have read years ago. Although there are many who will not hesitate to criticise me in taking this step, I hope this article will not be left out in the cold, but that ye editor will deign to accept it.

The Pomeroy local stamps were cancelled with a red ink very similar to that occasionally found on early issues of U. S. adhesives. Look out for those cancelled in any [illegible] way, as they are likely to be forgeries.—Adam Dollard.

These stamps are quite a temptation to the forger, as the value of used specimens runs from $1.50 to $30.00. The values and catalogue value of used and unused copies is as follows:

Pomeroy's Letter Express, 1843	unused	used
5c black, on yellow paper	$5.00	$1.50
5c blue	3.00	10.00
5c black	1.50	5.00
5c red	10.00	25.00
5c black yellow paper value erased		30.00

Thus it can easily be seen what a profit can be made by the unscrupulous, if they buy the 5c blue, 5c black and 5c red in unused condition, and put a cancellation on them. If yon want to buy these stamps used it would be well to exercise caution, otherwise you may be duped into buying faked stamps.

The overprint on the 1876 issue of Turkey is different for each denomination. The catalogue would make one believe that all have the same surcharge. The difference lies only in the lower horizontal group of characters.—A. D. Schoch.

Anyone wishing to know the difference of surcharge in each stamp has only to buy the entire set, and they are within the reach of the average collector. It seems queer that illustrations of each surcharge is not included in Scott's catalogue perhaps it is due to an oversight; anyway they ought to be illustrated in Scott's, as there are some collectors who imagine that each kind of surcharge exists in all the other values, thus making out that there are five varieties for each value, whereas there is only one, thereby getting things all mixed up.

The 3c orange of 1893 issue of Argentine is now obsolete (July, 1898) not being in use any more; remainders were burned and not sold to dealers.—G. A. Hunt.

Some collectors believe that as the 3c orange watermarked "large sun with rays' was in use only a few months they will soon advance in value. By the way, no 3c value is included in the recent issue, and thereby I conclude that there is no occasion for such a stamp.

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The time for the usual annual crop of papers which appear from Canada is at hand. During the past month we have received the *Canada Stamp Sheet*, from Quebec, Que., the *Canadian Philatelic Magazine* from Toronto, Ont., and *Philatelic Fun*, is announced from Berlin, Ont. It is rumored that another paper is to appear from Montreal shortly, under the management of a prominent collector.

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

Prancing about on the roof of the back wood shed; wildly fanning the air with a stuffed club; grinding its new teeth together with a noise like a stone-process flour mill, and yelling like the steam piano in a circus—this metaphorically speaking represents our esteemed contemporary the *Montreal Philatelist*—all because of a little victory the ADVOCATE gained by securing permission from the Postmaster General for Canadian papers to publish cuts of stamps. Our success would not be so galling to the editor of the *M. P.* if he had not failed to get the desired permission.

In its May number the *M. P.* in a four column editorial intimates that it will take no further notice of personalities. Since that time it has indulged more than ever in "rag chewing" with its contemporaries. While we do not claim any great honor for the victory we secured there is nevertheless a little satisfaction in knowing that we did not openly violate the laws of our country. Sec. 86 of the P. O. Act, as published in July [illegible], reads "Every one who..... imitates any postage stamp.....*except by permission of the Postmaster General*, is guilty of felony and liable to imprisonment for life" etc, The editor of the *M. P.* wrote to the P. M. G. for permission *but did not get it.* His letter was merely acknowledged by the Secretary. We did not "run the risk of prosecution" but kept fighting quietly until we had the permission of the proper authorities. Judging by the numerous controversies engaged in by the editor of the *M. P.*, it would appear that it was his desire to run the philatelic world. Before he dies of old age he will find that it is easier for the world to wag him than it is for him to wag the world.

PHILATELIC LITERATURE SOCIETY The Secretary of this society has evidently "gone to the bad" as he has been advertised in several papers, and pays no attention to our bill for Official Organ. This is the last number members will receive. Those who are not subscribers will be given the ADVOCATE one year for 15c, or for 25c with premium. We hope to retain all the members as subscribers.

How much space shall we reserve for you in our Twentieth Century Number?

Treymond Babcock writes that his address is now c/o Massey Bus. Coll., Houston Texas. He was attending College at Galveston at the time of the terrible storm. He says he got out all right. We extend our congratulations.

Eminent philosophers and scientists say that every young man or woman who expect to make their mark in the world should have their horoscope cast by Astrology. In the hands of an expert astrologer your past, present and future life is like an open book. It will pay you to look up the ad of Prof. Meyer in this issue. We have seen some of his readings and they were remarkable in their accuracy.

Phildius and Caldwell, 124 Java St., Brooklyn, N. Y., have adopted a unique plan to advertise their business. They send out a special circular, which with 10c entitles the holder to a sheet of stamps cataloging over 50c. The circulars will be sent free.

Some of our readers may not know the amount of work connected with mailing a large magazine. It keeps eighteen men, with the fastest mailing appliances, on a rush to mail the Ladies Home Journal to its readers. The Journal's postage bill is about $75,000 a year. In our limited space it would be impossible to give a description of the October Journal. A score of artists and writers contribute to this number; ten cents a copy at all bookstores.

The Youth's Companion has been running some exceptionally good articles by Andrew Carnegie, Sir Edwin Arnold, John Philip Sousa' etc. In the Sept. 20th issue Andrew Carnegie, who laid the foundation of his success by saving a little of his meagerest wages, contributes an interesting article on "Thrift." 798

Many of the merchant princes of today were once poor boys, working for very meagre wages, but by saving a little each week, they arose to high positions in life. Success, published by the McGraw-Marden Co., University Bldg., Washington Square N. Y. City., has a number of articles each month concerning such men, besides other very interesting and instructive reading.

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Dominion Philatelic Association.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

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321. Julius Hincke, Nth. Reading Mass.
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324. Percy A. Gordon, Guttenberg, N. J.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1901 amounting to 12c.

APPLICATIONS.

Will Payne, Sucre, Bolivia, South America. Age 30, Missionary. Refs A. F. Wicks, Geo. W. Starnaman.

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Paid up last report.....	362
Paid up since.....	7
Total paid up.....	369

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152. Jas. M. Chandler, Brunswick, Me.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$36.38
Received for dues, etc.....	5.59
	41.97
Paid Official Organ	4.69
" postage.....	.83
Express on papers to library.....	.50
Balance on hand.....	35.95
	41.97

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GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Librarian's Report.

Fellow Members:—

Since my last report I have received several valuable donations. One of these from Reginald Scott, Woodstock, Ont., consists of 492 pieces with a number of complete volumes, and very few duplicates D. Mc Keracher, Galt, is credited with 119 pieces, some old and valuable. Starnaman Bros., donated 18 pieces in addition to sending the ADVOCATE regularly. A complete catalog of the library will be published in the Handbook supplement.

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Lot No.	*unused.	Reserve.
116	Japan 50 asst 5 var.	15
123	Canada 4 leaf ½ to 10c	25
128	" 25 2c on 3c leaf	35
129	" 25 2c on 3c numeral	25
151	" 50c blue	20
174	U. S. 1870 1c	20
175	" 1873 1c	12
202	" Colonies, 65 var. cat. $2.20	80
239	*Sierra Leon set 4, Scott 104-5-6-7	
242	Canada Law 10c new issue fine	10
243	Nova Scotia 2c used	25
244	Canada 100 3rd issue bill asstd	35
245	" 1000 2c red (soaked)	35
247	" 25 5c Beavers	50
251	U S Rev. $1 Power Atty, 50c Secy Bd., 2c Cards and ½d Falkland Is.	
252	Scott's 59th Cat.	
253	Canada 8 old 20c, 7 old 50c	1.25
254	" 80 Imperials	.75
255	" 75 5c numeral	.25
256	" 250 2c numeral purple	.25
257	" 18 old issue 15c	.75
258	" 20 10c numeral	.25
259	" 125 surcharges	.75
260	" 5 6c leaf	.41
261	" 75 Imperials	.25
262	" 20 surcharges	.20
263	U S New Orleans, mended cat $5½	.50
264	" L & C Playing Card " $2	.75
265	" env. 6c 1st iss. diag. laid cut square close, cat. $3.00	.25
266	Straits 2c, 1883	.20
267	Jamaica 1 sh., off center	.15
268	U S *7c Treasury (close)	.75
269	St Christopher 1p lilac ca. pen	75
270	U S 15c 1873	15
271	" 15c 1879	5
272	English Gov. Parcels 2p, 4p, 2 6p, 9p	34
273	New Brunswick *2c, *5c	
274	U S Dept. Int. *2	
275	" 1869 1c, 2c	25
276	*25 assorted	20
277	1500 mixed	
278	50 English Army off.	15
279	Argentine Republic 100 ass. 2 var.	30
280	25 Barbados 4 var.	10
281	Canada 25 registers 2 var.	18
282	50 well assorted Russia	15
283	50 " " Roumania	15
284	50 " " Sweden	15
285	50 " " Switzerland	15
286	50 " " Chili	18
287	50 " " India	20
288	8 filled approval sheets cat. $2	40
289	Canada Special Delivery	8
290	" new 1 and 2c env. cut sq.	3
291	" *2c on 3c letter card	7
292	" *2c on 3c env.	10
293	" 10 1868 3c	15
294	" 7 var numerals ½ to 10	6
295	" 5 1c 1859	18
296	Pereak 6 var., set	12
298	Canada 100 2c purple	10
299	25 Hong Kong asst.	15
300	Canada 100 numeral ½c	30
301	" 100 " 1c	3
302	" 100 " 2c red	2
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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Collectors who have been waiting for a drop in the price of the Guam stamps, had better hurry up and buy. After the present supply has been exhausted, the ordinary U. S. stamps will be used on the island, and no further surcharges made.

Stanton's Philatelic Index is the latest venture, a monthly on the style of Poole's Index for philatelic literature. It should be a convenient posession for the collector who has access to a library and wants to read up some subject.

The War Revenue Act of 1898 has kept collectors of U. S. fiscals busy; surcharged postage, surcharged periodical, old roulette new roulette, changed colors for higher values, with both roulettes, and now a uniform color for all, with only the values in distinctive colors.

Drew & Co., of Boston announce auction sales for November 16, 21 and 30th.

From an announcement of the Postoffice Department re the Buffalo stamps the following is copied:—

"There are to be six denominations of these stamps * * * each containing a central picture, with suitable ornamental surrounding in colors. The one cent will have a dark green border etc."

The colored postion of each stamp will be the same color as on the current issue. The denominations and designs have been stated many times: the American flag, announced as a possible selection for the 10 cent was abandoned on account of the desire of our next Vice-President not to see our colors licked.

During the summer season, when collectors generally hang up their collections and seek outdoor recreation, some of the philatelic publishers, less wise than those who take a vacation and miss a number or two, indulge in and permit to their columns "silly season" articles. A class against which, from year to year, they pour out their spleen is the junior dealer or collect-ordealer. They take the worst specimen as representing the whole and with this example as a text pour out a screed, the vitrolic illiberality of which should easily earn for them the gag-bridle of the common scold. I quote from the latest of these:—

" * * * But for the common individual who is half collector, half dealer, admitting even to himself incompleteness as either, what can we expect for the upbuilding of philately as an amateur pastime. As a collector he cannot be a laudable example, for the increase of his collection is a part of his business, one kind of speculation, an excellent advertisement and aid in winning customers. As a writer he is a hired space filler with opinions biased by the state of his stock * * * The worst feature of these half-cooked creatures is the fact that, being so steeped in

their own conception of the philatelic world, they fill their writings with their own flavor until the collector begins to believe that it is unworthy of a philatelist to do any service without a tangible quid pro quo, that the sole value of a collection lies in the amount it will bring on the block, and that the stimulus for the production of philatelic 'literature' must come entirely from the amount of cash or 'advertising space' the publisher can be induced to 'give' for it. It thus often happens that the desire for the remuneration exists before the basis upon which to build a philatelic thesis has been found in which case our quondom amateur is likely to give rise to those peculiar emissions labeled 'Echoes' from the East" 'A History of my Philatelic Career' etc. * * * "

The writer bases his article upon a wrong assumption in regard to the motive of the collector, the object being to increase the collection by the disposal of duplicates and lots acquired in securing some required specimen. Unless the collector has unlimited means, there sooner or later arrivesa time when two conditions confront him, the specimens he wants cost too much for his purse, and his stock of duplicates represents too large an amount of dead capital. Most collector-dealers have some other employment, which places out of their power the personal swapping and exchanging of the school-boy. An advertisement in some philatelic paper of "stamps wanted" seems a possible way of picking up some desired stamp, the answers to this icnreases the stock of duplicates; and then the "for sale" side of the question is advanced. But the point is no more worthy of censure than is the swapping of stamps in a personal interview the press is merely used as a means of communicaton, and the amateur has lost nothing of an amateur nature. The collector and the dealer are, in all hobbies and especially in philately often one, the collections which have made philately the science it is have been brought together by dealers, and in fact there is hardly a man among the "giant" dealers who has not his collection of specialties. Knowledge of stamps cannot be gained from a single specimen, the more of a kind that are handled the more is found out concerning them, and the dealer has in a greater or less degree according to the size of his business, the opportunity to study stamps: but unless there is an outlet for his duplicate specimens sooner or later his cash will all be in them. A glance at the columns of middle class of philatelic publieations is sufficient to show that the small or dealer-collector is the one who supports them. And these journals, with their low subscription prices, are the ones who start collectors, are the ones that pave the way for the large dealers, are the ones who statrt the future specialist on his career.

So far as regards the arraignment of the collector-dealer as a writer, little need be said. The publisher who admits to his columns such articles as those mentioned is more to blame than the writer. He, in setting up as a publisher, lays claim to taste, writer is ignorant only. Moreover it is not true; practically all the leading monograph writers and authorities on stamps have acquired their knowledge from the handling of stamps as a dealer: it is only permitted to the favored few whose silver spoon is a birthright to buy and examine even common stamps in sufficient quantities to obtain knowledge worthy of

publication. And when a philatelic thesis has been written the publisher, by accepting it, acknowledges that it is up to the standard of his periodical, and it being so, remuneration to the writer avoids any sense of obligation: and advertising space is an eligible mode of remuneration.

The person least inclined to philately is the man who buys but one stamp of a kind, takes that as exhausting the field of that catalogue number, and geos on to the next; and the collector-dealer, handling a number of specimens of each stamp, is least likely to become such a collector.

Mail in Central Africa.

The postmaster-general of the British Central Africa protectorate gives one or two interesting items of news in his latest report. The mails are still conveyed for the most part upon the head and backs of native postmen. The men are recruited chiefly from the Yao and Atonga tribes and wear a uniform. Fully 300 bags of mail are made up each month at the different postoffices in the protectorate for conveyance by these men, the total distance traveled being close upon 10,000 miles per month, the cost of transit being less than a half-penny per mile per bag.—*Atlanta Constitution.*

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The *Montreal Philatelist* makes a very lame attempt to reply to our editorial in last issue. Through a slip of the pen we said the "editor" wrote for the Post Master General's permission to use cuts. This should have been the "publisher." It seems that considering their close relationship, the "editor" and "publisher" of the *M. P.* are very much afraid of being taken for each other.

An article in our 20th Century Number entitled "United States Adhesive Postage Stamps" will explain some of the points that have puzzled collectors. Send 5c for a copy or 25c for a year's subscription with premium.

In W. R. Adam's ad last month two lines became changed and caused Mr. Adams considerable trouble they should have read "40 British Colonial" and "10 South Africa."

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The National Philatelic News is announced to appear from Indianapolis, Ind. and the *Philatelic Record* from Montreal.

F. B. Eldredge, Mansfield, Mass. reports the following frauds: C. W. Cooperider, Rich Hill, Mo. and Fred Stanley, 105 Philps Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich.

See C. H. Alley's ad on Bargain Page.

Scotts' 60th catalogue will soon be out. Order now. See ad on page 78.

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CORRECTION.

Thos. A. Johnson should be Thos. R.

In last report, the last six numbers should be 5 hundred instead of 3 hundred.

CHANGE IN ADDRESS.

R. D. McKeracher, 37 Market St., Hamilton, Ont.
Eden Kinzie, Box, 97, Berlin, Ont.

DEATH

After a long illness of lung trouble Mr. Elwood B. Carter, D. P. A. 16, Dayton, O. died Sunday, Oct., 14, 1900. He was an ardent collector and was one of the older members of the society.
No. 16. Ed. B. Carter, Dayton, Ohio.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	369
Paid up since	18
Died	1
Total paid up	386

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$35.95
Received for dues, etc.	2.63
	38.58
Paid Official Organ	4.81
" postage	.50
Balance on hand	33.27
	38.58

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Sales Department.

Fellows Members,—The department is now in first class order and sales from the first two circuits have been excellent.

Would like to have more members patronize this dept.

W. RUSSEL BROWN.

Auction Dept.

The following letter from Mr. Mason will explain any delay in answering correspondence for this department.

Hamilton, Ont, Oct , 17th. 1900.

Starnaman Bros.,
Gentlemen:—

In the "Advocate" kindly give notice, that all correspondence addressed to me, is necessarily left unanswered, on account of my being laid up, and under a doctor's care, and that I do not expect to be able to resume business for several weeks.

Yours truly R. S. MASON.

ADVERTISERS
ONE INCH $1.65.

One inch ad in all the following papers:—

Adhesive	Pubs. rate	$ .40
Advocate	"	.40
Allegheny Phil.	"	.50
N. Y. Philatelist	"	.50
Perforator	"	.75
Philatl'c Bulletin	"	.75
" Chronicle	"	.50
Virginia Phil'ist	"	.50

Total Regular Rate $4.30

Low rates on all papers published.
Estimates for stamp.

ST. LOUIS ADVERTISING AGENCY, Dept A
17 A. S. Compton Ave., ST. LOUIS MO.

Real November Bargains.

I am still giving a packet of 200 varieties of stamps free with every remittance of $1.00 from my approval sheets. Reference required.

Some Cheap Sets.

1.—50 varieties of United States	.35
2.—15 Argentine Republic	.10
6,—15 Brazil	.15
7.—22 Canada	.15
9.—10 Columbian Republic	.10
10.—10 Cuba	.09
14.— 8 Peru	.10
15.—15 Mexico	.15
16.—10 Venezuela	.15

Scott's 50th Catalogue and 15 varieties of Argentine Republic, post free for .60

Best Stamp Hinges

[illegible] 25c, 10000 .60

Scott's 1900 Stamp Albums (boards) 1.00

" " " " " 1.75

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NIGER COAST

*½-2-2½-6d and 1sh (watermarked) $ .80

*5d, 1sh (unwatermarked)..... .65

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

*No. 46, 12c mauve..... $1.15

*1894 complete set..... ..... 1.00

*1896 complete set, official..... 3.00

CONGO

*5-10-15-25-40-50-1f. This is the prettiest set of stamps ever issued.... .75

FRENCH CONGO

*The Tigers 1-2-4-5-10-15c..... .15

SOUDAN

*1898, set of four 1, 2, 3, and 5m .12

LABUAN

1897, set complete 9 var..... .35

1897, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8c..... .15

NORTH BORNEO

1897, set complete, 8 varieties... .35

1897, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 and 8c..... .15

NEW HEBRIDES

1897, 1 and 2c. If you have these two stamps you have the country complete. The country..... .15

Orders taken now for Scott's 60th cat .58

Chas S. Osgood, Box 204, Salem, Mass.

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We offer a part of a fine collection, therefore stamps are in fine and finest condition.

Bid by Lot No.

Lot No.	United States	No. in Lot.
1.	1861 Rev. 1c Expr & Prop. pairs & Private Match 1c W. S Kyle	5
2.	1861 Rev. Med 2c black Davis Perry	1
3.	" " 2c Liberty 5th issue	200
4.	1879 Unpaid 3c o. g. block	6
5.	1879 " 3c o. g. strip	4
6.	1882 10c & 90 8c (10)	30
7.	'90 8c o. g. pl No. 265 strip	3
8.	'94 2c no wmk	400
9.	" Unpaid 1c pl. No o. g. strip	9
10.	" " 2c block	8
11.	'95 2c Inv. wmk	1
12.	" 3-10c (6 var) 25 each	125
13.	'98 1c green Inv. Wkm rare	1
14.	" 1c doc rev " " "	1
15.	" Prop rev all o. g. strips ⅛-2½ 8 var	46
16.	" 1 &2c sur I. R. each strip 5	10
16.	" Omaha 1c, 2c, each 100	200
17.	93 ent env Col. Set var	4
18,	entire env & wraps, obsolete "	17
19.	1884 ent env uns. 2c brown on white	10
20.	Same on fawn	10
21.	1898 2c red on white A Die	15
22.	1883 (15) & two issues older, cards	25
23.	Conf States 5c No 203 o. g blk	4
24.	U. S. Pkt, no locals var	100
25.	" " 50 var well mixed	200
26.	Mexico 1856-74 cat $1.41 var	13
27.	" 1864 4r green no gum but unused cat $2.00	1
28.	Mexico 1879 & 81 cat 1.40 var	11
29.	" 1884 comp except pesos var	11
30.	" 1886, 12 & 25c lilac cat $1	2
31.	" " -92 complete set var	9
32.	" " " same unused o g var	9
33.	Nova Scotia 10c 1860 one side per gone otherwise perfect cat $1.50	1
34.	Brazil '66-78 (4) '90, 700r	5
35.	" '88 700 and 1000r	2
36.	Arg Rep. 1864 5c carmine (2.00)	1
37,	" 1868-78 all elegant var	10
38.	" '82-88 splendid "	11
39.	" '88-92 some o. g. cat 66 "	5
40.	" 1891 8c o. g. & 1p (85c) "	2
41.	" 1892 Scott's Nos 90-91 "	2

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5 Canada Law stamps	10c	All for
4c Canada Jub unuse	20c	50 cents
8c " "	15c	and
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50c 1892 Issue	cat 30c	price 10c
20c 1892 "	" 12c	" 5c
10c Special Del unused	" 15c	" 12c
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4 var of Sierra Leone 1, 3, 6p and 1sh 1889 Issue unused for 55c
Or 2 sets for $1.00
3 var Cuba 7c
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PUBLISHED MONTHLY

VOL. — NOVEMBER, 1900 No. —

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I have carefully considered the matter of publishing a philatelic journal for some time past and have decided to start with the advent of the new century.

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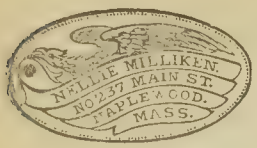

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" " 1879, 50c "	1.00
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1861, 10c, 20c, 40c imperf	10c
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1866, 10c, 20c, 20c, 30c, 40c	10c
1893, 1-2-2-5-10-20-25-35-50-1fr-2fr	18c
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1895, " 5c, 10c, 20c	3c
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A case of bad health that R·I·P·A·N·S will not benefit. R·I·P·A·N·S, 10 for 5 cents,
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Cuba sur on U. S. unused	1c on 1c	.03
" " " " "	2c on 2c	.04
" " " " "	2½c on 2c	.05
" " " " "	5 on 5c	.08
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Set 9 U. S. doc. 1898		.04

The above 7 Lots 25c.
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1859, 1, 5, 10, 12½, 17c.....	$1.20
1868, ½, 1, 2, 3, 6, 12½, 15c..	.55
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*10 2c " Die B, "	
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We will pay the postage with either ½c, map or surcharged stamps.

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THE circulation of this number will be Five Thousand. Advertisers cannot afford to miss this number. Those wishing ads in it should notify us at once how much space they desire. First requests received get best positions.

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INSTEAD of lowering our rates we have increased our circulation. The regular ad rates will prevail for this Grand Number.

1 inch 40c	Half page 1.50.
2 inches 70c	One page 2.00.
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Limit 400 words to one page.

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Let us know how much space you want and

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Volume 9, Number 6 Whole Number 52

THE PHILATELIC ADVOCATE

December, 1900.

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Bargain Page

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212 GOOD foreign (few U. S.) stamps cat 1 to 10c. Send at once. John Pelz, Arlington, Minn. 52

STAMPS. 300 varieties 50c. C. Wrigley, 167 Richmond St. W, Toronto, Ont. 52

50 VAR. U. S. 15c. 1000 mixed 44c. 121 var. 10c. Agents 50%. Chas. F. Harris, 7 Chadwick St., Worcester, Mass. 52

PHOTOGRAPHS of the Rocky Mountains and California 10c, 3 for 25c. They will please you. J. M. Chandler, Nordhoff, Ventura Co., California. 52

INDIAN Native States' stamps 12 var. 16c; 25 for 50c; 50 for $1.28; 75 for $2.25; 100 for $3.52; 150 $9.60. Price list free. Exchange desired with all countries, in sets on sheets for Indian Native States stamps. Basis Scott or Gibbons. C. S. Iyer, Attungal, Travancore, India. 52s.

Dec. 15, 1900

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Beautiful Photographs

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FIVE unused stamps free to everyone sending good reference for selection of stamps on approval at 50 per cent. Thos. R. Johnston, Saltsburg, Pa. 53

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Reprints.

BY L. W. HAMMOND.

In a former issue of the ADVOCATE, the old subject of Reprints and All Stamps are Guaranteed Genuine is again brought up. It would seem that this subject had been thoroughly discussed in the past, but as it again appears, I should like to say a word concerning reprints.

I do not think any one will deny but that reprints are almost a necessity, for in most collections, to quote the very original words of the editor of one of our new magazines, they "fill a long felt want."

The only trouble, is with the collector who in his ignorance buys reprints thinking they are originals ; in that case he is very liable to put them in a class all by themselves as Satan's own invention.

Now is it necessary for any collector to make this mistake? Let us see what safeguards we have. In the first place his catalogue will in most cases explain the difference between the original and the reprint, so that by a careful examination the reprint is quite easily detected.

Secondly : Reprints of valuable stamps are stamped on the back with the word, "Reprints." There may be some sold not so stamped but not many.

Thirdly : The price of a reprint will always be much below the value of the original if offered by a responsible dealer.

Perhaps the best point is ofall to require a written guarantee from the seller. All dealers are willing and offer to give such a guarantee. In view ofthe a bove facts, I do not think it is the reprint that causes trouble but the fact that young collectors do not know the difference between reprints, reissues and remainders.

If the boys would learn that remainders and reissues are not reprints,, although in the case of the former, sold far below face value, much trouble would be avoided.

Now as to the statement on all approval sheets "All stamps are Guaranted Genuine."

It must be understood, and it is by most, that reprints and reissues are genuine stamps, that is made from the original dies or plates. Therefore, why should they not be placed on sheets so guaranteed?

If on the other hand the guarantee read "All stamps are Guaranteed Genuine Originals, then of course these stamps would be barred.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

"Fruit Fair and Fall Festival" is the advertisers postmark of Houston, Texas.

Many auctions are in progress, and even Washington, D. C. is to have one. Washington, a suburb of Ohio, makes all the stamps, but has few collectors in active life, no societies, and no magazine.

The Buffalo Exposition stamps will not

be issued till May 1, 1901.

The 60th catalogue is receiving its due amount of write up, and the sales are very good.

The Postoffice Department has issued a circular stating that contributions for the relief of the sufferers by the Galveston storm who are in the postal service will be received and receipted for by the Hon J. A. Merritt, postmaster at Washington, D. C.

The Department directs that all mail, other than letters in the usual form, for the Yukon territory, be withheld by the public until about May, 1901 : as it will not be forwarded until then.

Stamp Statistics.

BY STOKES.

The pleasure of inspecting a general collection of six or seven thousand is not to be had every day, and to some people it is quite a revelation to find that so many varieties exist. But when we consider the number that has been issued, and what might be gathered, seven thousand varieties would not appear so extraordinary.

The total number of postage stamps, envelopes and cards issued by all countries in the world is over fourteen and one half thousand—a collection that would stretch the binding of our wedged albums.

It is interesting to know what countries help most to make this aggregate. A complete collection of British Colonies numbers over four thousand alone, which leaves ten thousand to be accounted for by the rest of the world. For a single country the United States leads the world with 295 varieties of postage stamps, with another issue in sight; a fact which we will leave our United States friends to feel proud of or not; but, by the way, how they attempted to ridicule Canada for having three issues in two years, although our total is only a shade over one-third of theirs. Next to U. S. comes Spain with 282 varieties and is followed by Nicaragua with 262 varieties, and Salvador with 230. Then comes Uruguay, Mexico, Cuba and the Philippines.

With but one exception the above mentioned countries are American, so you may readily suppose that America leads other continents; which it does with a total of 4795 varieties; Europe comes next with 3565, Asia 2775, Africa 5466, and Oceania with 1027.

In comparing last year's issues Europe leads with 206 new varieties, Asia next with 202, Africa 146, America 139, Oceania 122; making the total of last year's issues 315.

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Copy for Advertisements for JAN. issue must reach us before the 15th of DEC. or it will be too late.

EDITORIALS.

Mr. A. R. Magill, of Montreal, has purchased the *Philatelic Spectator*, of Berlin, and will consolidate it with his new paper, the *Philatelic Record.*,

We receive numerous inquiries from persons wishing to be ad and sub agents. To these we wish to say that our lowest rates for ads are 12 inches for $2.00, 36 inches for $5.00, or 84 inches $10.00. You buy space in these quantities (at about 12 to 16 cents an inch) and sell it at whatever you like. On subscriptions our coupon system is the only method allowed except to publishers. We send you a number of coupons to distribute and for each one returned with a subscription we allow 5c cash.

By reference to the D. P. A. columns, it will be noticed that C. E. A. Holmes, of Montreal, has been expelled, from the society for fraud.

D. P. A. Prizes. In order to increase the membership of the D. P. A. we have donated several prizes to be given to members who secure new members. Any persons wishing to donate anything as prizes, are requested to notify us before Dec. 15th as the list will appear in next issue.

Sid. Wood, of Winnipeg, Man., writes that a stamp club has been formed there. He reports that business is poor so far.

From present appearances, the sale of 60th catalogues will exceed all previous issues. Order now and be sure of yours. 58c postfree, or 65c with a years's subscription.

Send Your Copy Early

Judging by the number who notified us that they desire space in our 20th Century Number, it will be a hummer. The best positions will be given to those whose ads

are received earliest. Don't wait until the last day to send copy. Remember it must *be in Berlin by Dec. 15th 1900* and accompanied by payment or it will not be inserted. Unused 1c and 2c stamps of U. S., or Canada taken, but silver, bills, or Express or Postoffice Money Orders preferred. Please do not send bank cheques unless 15 cents extra is added for exchange.

From 324 illustrations in 1894 to over 1600 in 1900 are the figures which denote the numerical growth and devolopement of the pictorial features in the Ladies' Home Journal in six years. The reading public now insists upon illustrations, and in meeting that demand it is safe to say that the pictures printed in the Journal in 1900 exceed in number, size, quality and cost, those published in all the leading magazines ten years ago. 10c a copy at all bookstores.

From 1st of December the Orange River Colony will be included among the British Colonies enjoying Imperial penny postage with the United Kingdom,

The *New York Philatelist* contains a "Fraud Reporter" each month which is supposed to give the facts regarding frauds. The publishers should be particular to see that what they insert is correct before insertion. In the last issue, a list by L. T. Brodstone is given and apostscript is added that "the last five are D. P. A. members." This statement is false. Two of them were never members of the D. P. A., and two, Robinson and Lowe, were suspended some time ago. One of the list is a member but no intelligible complaint has ever been made to the Trustees. We trust the *New York Philatelist*, will make due correction in next issue.

It is not improbable that the majority of the persons this Brodstone terms "frauds," are some who tried the "pulling qualities of paper" and did not make enough to "pay on receipt of bill." Why not demand cash in advance and there would be no "frauds."

Trading stamps. We are still buying Dominion Trading stamps (blue). We give

100 foreign stamps for	5 stamps
100 all different foreign stamps	15 "
20 word ad on Bargain Page	8 "
1 year's sub to this paper	10 "

Or we will accept them as cash at ¼c each for anything we advertise.

We have just received the "Chinese Special" of *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News.* This is undoubtedly the finest number of a stamp paper ever issued. It contains 32 large pages and cover—equal to about 144 pages of an ordinary sized philatelic journal. The cover which is printed in four colors was designed by Mr. Mekeel and is a piece of work that any artist might be be proud of.

My little exchange notice in the ADVOCATE has been a great success. It clearly shows the advertising strength of the ADVOCATE.—E. G. Brisley, Toronto, Ont.

Enclosed find 25c for one year's subscription to the ADVOCATE and premium No. 9. I may send the bargain notice later, but you give enough for the money without that.—C. H. Nye, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Our next number will be an apology for this small number.

Scott's catalogue will have 100 more pages this year than last, and the price is the same. It is the recognized standard for the world, and no collector can afford to be without it, 58c post free, or 65c with the ADVOCATE one year. 10c extra to foreign countries.

A SET OF FINE STAMPS.

Mr. W. H. Schmalz, Berlin, has received from a private correspondent in the Tonga Islands, a complete set of their new postage stamps. The Tonga or Friendly Islands constitute a small kingdom near the Fiji Islands in the South Pacific, and their stamps are recognized by the philatelic authorities as the most handsome in existence. The complete set consists of thirteen stamps, ranging in value from a half penny to five shillings. The engraver has certainly produced beautiful work, and Mr. Schmalz is justly proud of the latest acquisition to his large and valuable collection.—*Berlin News Record.*

Have you sent your ad for next number?

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The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 28c.

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367 C. E. A. Holmes, Montreal, Que.

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Paid up last report	386
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Total paid up	386

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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Received for dues, etc.	2.87
	36.14
Paid Official Organ	4.93
" postage	.05
Balance on hand	31.16
	36.14

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GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

Auction Mgrs Report.

Hamilton, Nov. 17, 1900.

Dear Friends,

I regret being unable to have a sale in last month's ADVOCATE. As most of you probably saw, I have been laid up; but am pleased to be able to be with you again. Will have a sale ready for next issue. Yours faithfully,

R. S. MASON.

Report of Supt of Sales

Fellow Members:—Would like to have more of your names on my list. Have already sent out five circuits and sales are satisfactory.

W. RUSSEL BROWN,

Trustee's Report.

Fellow Members:—

Two complaints have been received. One from E. L. Shove against C. E. Holmes, Montreal, who removed over $23.00 worth of stamps from books in the Sales Dept. and did not settle for same. The other complaint is from L. Blankmeir claiming that E. J. Stephenson secured money by false misrepresentation.

In the first case time was lost in a fruitless attempt to locate Holmes. Failing in this his father was communicated with. He at first seemed inclined to settle in order to keep his son's name from publicity but when he found out the amount of the claim he refused to answer. The laws of Quebec do not hold parents responsible for the debts of a minor except for goods purchased by their consent. As no settlement can be reached we recommend (1) that C. E. A. Holmes be and is hereby expelled from the Association. (2) That the Sales Supt be notified to pay, from the Insurance Fund, each member interested. If there are not funds enough the balance shall be paid from the General Fund and be returned as soon as the Insurance Fund is sufficient. (3) On account of the laws of certain states and provinces, the following rule is to be added to the Sales Dept.: All members under 21 years of age wishing to be placed on circuit must furnish the consent of their parents or guardian.

The case of E. J. Stephenson is being investigated.

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20th Century Number

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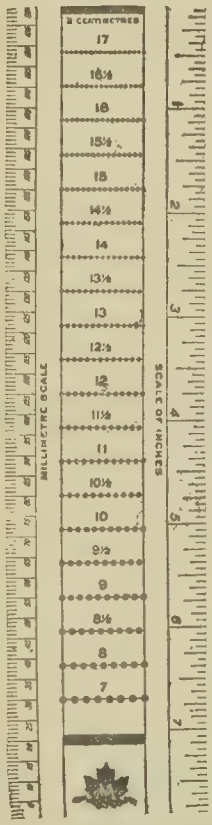

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10 Austria	3c
3 Barbados	3c
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3 " register	3c
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3 Cuba (cat 12c)	3c
3 Hong Kong	3c
7 Japan	3c
5 Luxemburg	3c
8 Holland	3c
2 Newfoundland	3c
6 Norway	3c
2 Portugal pictures	3c
4 Queensland	3c
6 Roumania	3c
7 Spain	3c
2 Straits	3c
7 Sweden	3c

5c Sets.

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2 Antwerp ex 1025	5c
7 Brazil 1894	5c
3 Canada Jubilee	5c
8 Cuba	5c
7 Old France	5c
13 France	5c
3 Newfoundland	5c
5 Porto Rico used	5c
7 Portugal 1895	5c
12 Portugal mixed	5c
12 Spain mixed	5c
5 Straits	5c
12 Sweden	5c
12 Switzerland	5c

10c Sets.

9 Argentine 1896	10c
5 English Army and I. R. offic	10c
5 Newfoundland	10c
3 Perak 1892 tiger	10c
3 Western Australia Large 1, 3, 6	10c
2 Trinidad wrap. unused ½, 1	7c
4 Porto Rico 1898 1, 2, 3, 20	20c
5 Perak 1895 tiger	14c
7 St. Helena 1895 7 var. new	70c
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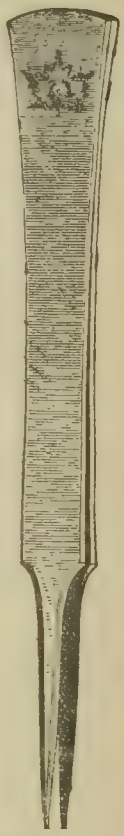
Rev. cat	10c
	10—50c



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6. 20 different Japanese stamps mounted.
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12. 300 " " "
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18. 35 1p and 35 2p Queensland.
19. 15 cut sq. reg. envelope 4p N. S. Wales
20. 75 ½p black New Zealand.

CANADA Stamps, used.

21. 100 3c Jubilee
22. 20 8c four maple leaf
23. 25 5c " " "

Used Canada (continued).

24. 25 5c before Jubilee
25. 25 ½c numerals.
26. 50 2c Imperial wrapper
27. 250 2c numerals, red
28. 25 5c " blue
29. 100 2c " purple
30. 100 1c green numerals
31. 100 3c red "
32. 100 3c red four leaf
33. 50 2c on 3c surcharge
34. 100 2c on 3c "

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35. 1 U. S. 1879, 1c blue, and 1 25c U. S. can envelope surcharged [illegible]
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37. 6c " four maple leaf.
38. pair 8c " " " "
39. pair 5c Canada Jubilee
40. 10 2c on 3c Canada surcharge 4 leaf.
41. 10 2c on 3c " " numeral
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25	"	Canada	.20
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The Letter with the Foreign Stamp.

What Happens to it on a Trans-Atlantic Liner.

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IMAGINE working twelve hours every day, flipping letters into cases of pigeon holes at the rate of 1,270 an hour with the unstable deck of a rolling steamship for a floor, and keeping this up six and seven days at a stretch. That's what the sixteen mail clerks comprising the United States Sea Post Service do for a living month in and month out.

Moreover, they have to work in what is practically an elevator shaft three stories high and fifteen feet square. Ventilation is supplied by blowers way down in the hold of the ship, which force the air up and out of the portholes on the third storey, or attic floor, of the floating post office. Electric lights gleam night and day in every nook and corner of this elevator shaft, for it is hard enough to decipher many of the addresses on the foreign mail matter even in the light of years of experience and a luminous imagination, much less in a dismal cabin 'tween decks.

The Sea Post Service, now in its tenth year, has proved such an advantage in expediting the foreign mails that the Post Office Department is contemplating the establishment of floating post offices on two more Atlantic steamship lines. Already five Hamburg-American, four North German Lloyd and three American liners are equipped with postal facilities, and the Cunarders and White Star ships are expected to be the next to carry expert sorters and address readers. In the winter season the American and North German Lloyd liners carry two mail clerks apiece. The men eat at the first cabin table or in the officers' mess, but room on a transatlantic liner is so much needed for high priced passenger and freight traffic that the allowance for the sea postal employes is rather grudgingly allotted.

Usually they are given a small room below the berth deck, lighted and ventilated by a couple of portholes, with low ceilings and narrow berths. In this "attic" or sky parlor, as the clerks call it, the separation racks are placed. These resemble Brobdingnagian pigeon cotes. Each compartment is labelled "New York," "Boston," "Ohio," "Japan," &c., when the vessel is bound thither, and "Hamburg," "Berlin," "London," "Norway-Sweden," "Russia," &c., when bound for Europe.

On one side of the room is a "separation table" on which registered packages are sorted, a pair of small scales for weighing them and stamps for marking supplementary mail

One deck below, reached by a narrow companion way, are the newspaper racks, great iron gridirons, with big yawning canvas sacks suspended beneath. Into these pouches the third and fourth class mail matter is thrown with marvellous precision and rapidity. On the bulkhead wall a railroad map is placed to guide the sorter if he is a bit uncertain where a particular package is to be thrown.

A trap door in the floor leads to the cellar of the floating post office, one deck lower. Here the bags of mail are first deposited when the ship leaves port. As fast as a dozen or so are emptied by men at the separation table and distributed in the cases another bunch is hauled up. Thus, hour after hour, in fair weather and foul, in summer and winter, the men who earn their bread and butter by facilitating the exchange of news, of business matters and messages of love or other expressions of the human emotions, toil and toil and toil.

When the Kaiser Friedrich was in port Mr. J. F. Burke, one of the original half dozen postal clerks assigned to the Sea Post Service at its inception in 1891, told something about the work he and his colleagues do. He said:—"We are like the farmers' wives. Our work is never done. Still, the position of clerk in the ocean steamship mail service, or as it is usually called, in the sea post, is much sought after by employes of the postal system, because in this branch of the service we have a few days each month in Europe to travel, to see sights or for quiet rest. The government maintains the sea post to assist the New York post office and to facilitate the despatch of mails transported on the fast American, North German Lloyd and Hamburg-American ships. Here they are opened and distributed, and as only a small portion goes to the general Post Office a steamer may bring in between 500 and 600 bags of mail at any time, and no extra help be required in the Post Office to promptly and properly despatch both this and the regular domestic postal matter.

"Directly from the ship on its arrival at Quarantine a bag is sent to each station of the New York Post Office containing the proper mail for that section of the city, while the mail for all the States and larger cities is assorted and delivered in the quickest and most practical manner—both letters and papers. A separation is made of California, Texas and New York State mail, and registered matter is dealt with.

"The sea post constitutes an international exchange and distributing post office. On the German ships where the German government sends a post secretair and a schaffner, mails going to the Fatherland are treated the same as those on the way to America. Hamburg city being separated on the Hamburg-American liners. The German and American clerks co-operate in the work, and each man is accountable to his own government for the completing in distribution of mails going to that country to which the clerk belongs. Technically the American clerk is in charge going to Germany and the post secretair is responsible going the other way, in compliance with the international law, but this does not interfere with the responsibility for the completion of the work.

"On the American line ships practically the same service is maintained by two Americans on each ship, but no distributing is done going east. Under the terms of the subsidy which the American line receives one man must be carried. The work has so grown that extra compensation is allowed for another man's board. Clerks sailing from New York are not restricted to particular ships or lines.

A sea post clerk occupies a peculiar position in the fact that he is both postmaster and clerk, now perhaps distributing papers and now studying the meaning of some postal law on which he must decide. He eats beside millionares in the first saloon; he assists sailors throw bags of mail to their places, he figures until his registry account balances, while his technical work consists of the rapid and accurate opening and distribution of letters, papers or registered matter. A sea post clerk's work is similar to that performed by different men in the following distinct departments of the New York Post Office:—Receiving foreign mails, despatching mails (foreign and domestic); distributing letters for America, distributing papers for America, assorting New York city letters and papers, handling registered mails."

"How much actual work is done on a trip?"

"Mr. Charles Butler, who sails on the Kaiser Wilhelm, has made up a table which shows that for the first five months of 1899 on the German ships going east an average of 58,368 letters, 220 sacks of papers, and 847 registered articles were handled by four men, or an individual average of 14,592 letters, 50-odd sacks of papers and 212 registered articles. In the same period the average mail worked on the western voyage of the American liners in 17 trips was 92,400 letters, 72 sacks of papers, and 582 registered articles per man."

"Do you have any chance to mingle with the passengers or enjoy the trip during your leisure?"

"No. Enforced idleness on ship is rare and no pleasure anyhow, especially after the novelty wears away. As a rule we prefer to work, for we cannot sleep because of the change in time, and we suffer all the more when we must work hard on the return voyage the next week."

"It must be a very monotonous as well as a straining occupation, then?"

"It is, particularly in rough weather, when it is hard enough for passengers to keep their feet, let alone sorting letters on the jump, but there are amusing things, too. Many of the letters from abroad are addressed ludicrously. For instance you can't help smiling when you run across a postal card addressed:—

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"The writer evidently thinks the whole letter heading he received from America is the proper address of his correspondent and gravely writes it all out. The puzzle pictures, as we call the illegible and undecipherable mail matter, often contain material for jests, but there isn't much time for fun when a ton or so of mail is awaiting separation and your ship is nearing port. It is a case of hustle all the time in sea post service, just as in the railway mail system.''

The Junior Dealer.

BY ARTHUR R. MAGILL.

To collectors in general and more especially the younger members of the fraternity there seems to be a great desire to enter into business as a stamp dealer.

The writer is at a loss to know from what source this desire arises, but would suggest that perhaps it is started by the collector acting as agent for some dealer who marks his stamps so that he can allow the collector a discount on what he sells or takes himself ; another thing which tends to make the desire stronger is the fact that many collectors have a number of duplicates which to them seem valuable enough to sell and make a handsome profit but are more apt to be a very unsaleable class of stamps which they have obtained in cheap packages, etc.

Again the general philatelic public have little or no idea of how dealers obtain their stamps and what a large stock of stamps is necessary in order to earry on a first class business.

In starting in business, the would be dealer, generally, goes to work and secures some blank approval sheets on which he mounts his duplicates. Next he has a stock of letter paper and envelopes printed and inserts a small advertisement in some paper.

All this has cost him something and as he has no experience in advertising, his advertisement generally finds its way into a paper that has low rates and *claims* an enormous circulation.

Then too he may not understand the proper writing of an advertisement and the result is that he receives few, if any, answers.

One of the hardest things which the new dealer has to contend with is the fraud. There is a certain class of frauds who make it their business to keep watch for the new dealers. These fellows are smart enough to know that the dealers have very little chance to make trouble for them and they know enough to keep away from large and established dealers and to prey only upon those who they know are inexperienced. Besides they know that the older dealers are careful and can sometimes read between the lines of the letters of applications for stamps.

Now let us suppose that the new dealer has got far enough along to find that his stock is running low and he at once begins to look around for means of replenishing it, and generally finds numerous advertisements in the papers offering "Dealers' stocks" at prices which make them look tempting. The result generally is that he sends for one and in many cases is disappointed. The reason for this is very simple, it is simply that if there was any great demand for the stamps of which these stocks consist, the dealers would not be slow in selling them out at retail, thus it will be readily seen these stocks must contain what the dealer could not dispose of himself.

Another thing that causes trouble for the new dealer is the fact that his customers soon begin to call for special stamps which they desire in order to complete sets, etc., and which he has not got, as he must purchase them from another dealer he has to put the price higher and and soon he finds that his customers have left him because he could not supply their wants, or because they found that it was cheaper to patronize the larger dealers and

get their stamps first hand.

Large dealers generally obtain their stamps directly from the country in which they are issued and used, the most common plan being to exchange with various dealers in various countries, they sending the stamps of their country and you sending those of yours so that each of you have been able to get desirable stamps in exchange for those which have cost you little or nothing.

This branch of the stamp business can not be built up in a day and so you see the new dealer soon feels the effect of having to pay the dealers prices a very little below retail.

Now I have told you of some of the troubles which the new dealer has to contend with I will give you an idea of what he might have done. First of all he would have joined a "good" Philatelic Association. Care must be taken in the selection as there are many associations which it would be of no use to join.

Next he should send to the exchange department and obtain blank books and fill them with the best stamps that he has on hand.

When this is done he should return them to the superintendent who will circulate them among the members who have sent in books; at the same time sending books of the other members to the collector who is allowed to take the same value from them as has been taken from his book less a small fee for expenses.

Thus he disposes of his duplicates and increases his collection at a very small cost. Of course he does not have the excitement of dealing in stamps, but he would soon have found that that was more of a burden than a pleasure.

And now I would say to the readers that if they take a bit of advice that is good, they will leave stamp dealing alone, and be content to increase their collections by exchangihg and not go chasing after that pot of gold which is supposed to lie at the other end of the rainbow of the stamp business.

A Few Minor Varieties.

BY EDGAR S. BRIGATMAN.

Before I enter upon any discussion of my subject, I would like to make a brief reference to an article of mine which appeared in the now defunct *Buckeye Philatelist* wherein I made a comment on an apparently inexplicable surcharge on the one anna, 1881-82 stamp of India. Miss Swift has very kindly informed me that it is a device similar to the perforated initials on English stamps, employed by large mercantile houses, to prevent their clerks using the stamps belonging to the firm for private correspondence.

Quite often I run across some "lapsi naturae," while looking over odd lots of duplicates. and I will give a partial list of my recent finds of uncatalogued minor varieties which it has been my good fortune to find. The first of which I will speak is from Porto Rico, the one-half m. de p. rose of the 1862 issue. In my specimen of the stamp, the "m" and "I" of "Mila" are both defective; about one-third of the "I" is gone and a fraction of the "M" is missing, and between the two letters, though touching neither, is an oval spot of color, three quarters of a millimetre long, by one quarter wide.

It may be of some interest to the reader to learn how I obtained possession of the

next variety that I shall describe. A few days since, a little girl accosted me, asking if I would buy any stamps from her. Of course I would if they were worth it, and so out comes her album which I looked through. As is usual in such cases, the market value of the lot was possibly fifteen cents, but, since she pleaded so hard, I bought a few. After she had left, I examined the collection and found a ten ore, Norway of the 1883-84 issue which is different from the ordinary. In the "10" after "Postfrim," the "O" in the common type is broad, comparatively, at the top and bottom. In the variety it is much more narrow. This variety is hard to describe, but when once seen it is readily recognized. The only stamp, which I have as yet seen, bearing this peculiarity, is of a dull red color.

While the next stamps I will treat, are not strictly minor varieties, they are so closely allied to them as to merit consideration in this article. A beginner and often a more experienced collector, is easily led into thinking that he has an albino of the envelopes of some countries, when he really has not. In my collection, there are several stamps which have been taken, by my friends, for genuine albinos, but which are not the real thing. The Mexican envelopes of 1874-83 are of this sort. It happens thus: when a stamp of this country was embossed on an envelope, the design struck through both layers of the envelope so that there would be an impression of the design, of course without ink, on the inside of the envelope. Then it would be a very easy matter for some evil-disposed person to cut this out square, and palm it off as an albino. One of this nature from Mexico can be detected as follows: in a real albino, the stamp would be on very smooth-surfaced paper; on the other the paper is rough and very distinctly laid. This may be understood when it is remembered that the outside of an envelope must be written on, while the inside is of inferior quality. Look at both sides of a Mexican envelope of the issue of 1874-83 and my meaning will be better illustrated than it could be by words. Another country which offers a like opportunity for fake albinos is Wurtemberg.

As a last variety for this time, I will mention the stamp of a country which has aforetime behaved quite well, and has been almost free of "minors" but has now fallen from its high estate. The offender is St. Vincent, the ½ penny stamp of the 1883-88 issue. In the "S" in "St" the top is usually curved, but in the variety I found, it was straight.

Trials of a Manuscript.

BY PAUL PASTNOR.

A drawer in the author's table was opened, and a manuscript came tumbling in. It was a dirty travel-stained manuscript, frayed at the edges, and full of pin holes.

"Well, you look as though you had had a pretty hard time of it!" exclaimed a clean, fresh manuscript, which lay, all unfolded, near the dirty intruder.

"Dear me, I should say so!" sighed the travelled manuscript. "I have had no rest, night or day, for the past six months. I must have travelled at least ten thousand miles, and I have been handled by as many as forty or fifty different pairs of hands Oh! I do hope I can rest a little while now."

"Rest!" exclaimed the fresh manuscript. "Why I should just enjoy traveling around the country as you have been doing. What a splendid time you must have had! And now you are glad to be stuffed into this dark, close-smelling old drawer.''

"Yes, I am!" cried the returned manuscript, curling up gratefully in a corner. "And you will be, too, when you have gone through what I have. Never mind! Your turn will come pretty soon. I see the drawer is getting empty."

"Oh! I hope I shall soon have the chance to see the world," exclaimed the fresh manuscript, "Tell me what I must go through with, and what I shall see, if you are not too tired."

"Well, in the first place,'' said the returned manuscript, "you won't *see* much of anything. You will be taken out of the drawer, your back will be broken in two places, you will be doubled up as I am, with a hateful, sticky stamp over your face, and stuffed into a tight envelope, which will be sealed, so that you can get neither air nor light. Then your destination will be written on the envelope, and you will be dropped into a dark iron box on a lamp post. By and by the mail collector, will come along, unlock the box and take you out. You may get a glimpse of sunlight through your envelope as you pass from the letter box to the carrier's pouch, but soon you will be in utter darkness again, crowded with several hundred other letters into so small a space that you will ache all over. The warmth, too, will begin to affect the gum on the stamp so that it will stick to your face in the most exasperating manner, and you can't shake it off.''

''What is the stamp for anyway?' asked the unsophisticated manuscript curiously. It had never been out of the drawer in its life you see.

"Oh! that is to bring you back again if you aren't wanted,'' answered the other. "Like everybody else that travels, you must have the means with you for getting home again, you know.''

''And suppose you don't have to come home? Suppose the editor wants you—what becomes of the stamp then?''

"The editor takes it. Every editor of any importance has a large number of detached stamps in his possession, so that, the post office people say, he pays very little revenue to Uncle Sam for postal privileges. But a certain portion of the stamp remains with you always, as you can see by looking at my face. One editor spent fifteen minutes trying to take a stamp away from me, although he knew that I would have to come home again, but he succeeded in getting only a little corner off. Finally he doubled me up wrong side out, and sent me back just as I was. That was the time I got so dirty.

"But I must not go ahead so fast. I was just telling you how you were to be started out in the world. The mail carrrier will take you in his pouch to the post office, and there you will go into the hands of the mailing clerk. A most dreadful experience will then happen to you. All of a sudden, when you are least expecting it, you will receive a stinging blow, the scar of which you will probably carry through life. If you look at my back closely you will see several of these cruel marks. The blow is given by a steel machine, and is called 'post-marking.' A round die with letters and

figures on it stamps your envelope with the name of the place from which you start, and the exact time and date of your departure. Once in a great while, I have heard, it is possible to read this impression, but generally it is illegible and is only intended to amuse the mailing clerk and torture you. Before you have recovered from the pain and shock of this blow, you are sent flying through the air into a compartment where you have a little time to nurse your wounds before you go into the mail-bag. The mail-bag is a great leather affair, that holds more than a bushel of letters, and is closed and locked tightly before leaving the post-office, so that, as far as seeing the world is concerned, you might as well be lying peacefully at home in this dark drawer.

"Pretty soon the mail-bag is tossed into a waggon, and you are rattled away to the mail-car. You get fairly started, and are enjoying the motion as much as your sore back will permit, when the bag is opened, and you feel yourself grasped and hurled through the air again into a compartment in the side of the car. Then you are rudely stuffed into another mail-bag, and here you stay until you reach your journey's end in the city to which you are directed. Then you are given to a mail-carrier, who hurries you off with a lot of other letters, just as heavy and possibly unerp9id, as you are, to the editor's sanctum.

"Now there is a difference in editors. If you are sent to the editor of a prominent magazine, you will be treated in the following manner: The editor will open you and glance hurriedly at the superscription of your author. He will then toss you immediately into a large basket and others after you. When the basket is full it will be removed into another room, where a busy young fellow, surrounded on every hand by pens, ink, paper and envelopes, will rapidly tear off the accompanying stamp, and stuff each manuscript into an envelope. In each envelope he will also put a beautifully worded imitation type-writer circular, stating so politely that you aren't wanted, and couldn't possibly be wanted. Then he will address you to your unfortunate author.

"But if you should happen to be sent to a daily or weekly publication, the editor will probably read you, or at least enough of you to know whether you suit his purposes or not. If he does not want you, he will scribble a word or two with a blue pencil on an old scrap of paper—'Declined with thanks,' or 'Too long, or 'Overcrowded,' and send you on your way again. If he does want you, as I have said, he will pocket your traveling companion and impale you heartlessly on a long spike of steel. This is called 'putting a manuscript on file,' but it is said to be worse than putting you on hot coals. Fortunately, I have never suffered this infliction myself.

"When you come home for the first time, your author is generally very much disappointed, and feels a little hard toward you. You can see it in his eye. But if he is an old hand at the business he transfers you immediately to a new envelope and addresses you to some other editor and away you go, to endure the same tortures over again. So it goes, time after time. During all these trips your feelings will be most cruelly outraged. Some editors will laugh you in the face. Others will toss you from them so contemptu-

ously that you will skim half across the floor. Others will take note of your frayed condition and certain ear-marks on your pages, and exclaim, 'Aha!' as though they were very knowing and you very simple and contemptible. If it should happen that for any reason you were not accompanied by a stamp, you would be almost certain of being immediately destroyed, for there is nothing an editor despises like a manuscript which is not adorned with a vignette of the Father of his Country. You may be sure that you will be roughly handled under any circumstances. You are nothing but a sort of beggar at the best. The editor did not invite you to come, and he would have preferred, undoubtedly, to have you stay at home. You are trespassing on his good nature all the time, and can't help feeling it. Of course it isn't your fault that you came. You couldn't help yourself, and yet you have all the uncomfortable experiences to bear while your author sits at home and busies his brain over another unfortunate creation. Don't you begin to wish you had not been born a manuscript, my friend?''

"Not a bit of it" exclaimed the sanguine young manuscript. "I am just aching to see these curious creatures you call editors. I flatter myself I shall make a more favorable impression.''

Just then the drawer opened, and the author took out the freshly written manuscript. "Good-bye?" it cried, exultingly. "You won't see me again."

"Good-bye,'' rustled the frayed old manuscript. "If you aren't back in two weeks I'll eat my heading."—*Arthur's Home Magazine.*

United States Adhesive Postage Stamps.

BY ARTHUR R. BUTLER.

When the collector of United States issues glances over the pages of his album there are a number of questions suggested by certain of the stamps, the necessity at one time for a 7 cent value, the reason why the newspaper and periodical leaves are so blank, and various other matters. The reports of the Postoffice Department and other official documents contains a number of items and figures which cannot appear in the standard catalogue for lack of space. The catalogue can be but an outline of the various issues, the official reports contain the information, but it is buried in annual volumes of 700 pages each from 1847 to the present time: "replies to correspondents" give it in a scattered form, but the cost of trouble and referring to it are considerable. The magnificent monographs on United States issues are beyond the reach of the majority of collectors. Probably, as these reports are open to anyone choosing to take the time to consult them, all the points mentioned in the following article have been given at one time and another, but the collecting them in one place may be of interest to at least the beginner, if not to the more advanced collector.

Prior to July 1, 1894, the stamps were printed by various private companies under four-year contracts, the National, Continental and American Companies doing most of the work. The endeavor of each company to keep its work distinct from the work of the others and the necessary re-engraving of plates caused the bewildering series of stamps from 1870 to 1879,

which are almost impossible to tell until comparison with a known specimen has been made. The three varieties of paper in this issue cause trouble, also. More or less friction had occurred with these private companies, and in 1894 the Postmaster General accepted the bid of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing under the Treasury Department. For ten years before a bid from this Bureau had been submitted, always at a lower rate than those of the private companies, but for some reason, possibly financial, it had not been considered. The saving under this contract with the Bureau during the first four years was about $275.000, and at the end of that period the contract was renewed. It now seems likely that Uncle Sam will print his stamps, as he does his money without help from outside parties. Under this system the stamps are issued direct to the postmasters throughout the country from the Bureau, and a consequent safety ensues not possible under the old system. During the year ended June 30, 1900, the issues were as follows :—

Ordinary postage stamps 3,958,143,660 valued at $75,628,739. Stamp Books 2,263,040 valued at $830,648. Special Delivery stamps 6,940,650 valued at $694,065 Postage Due stamps 20,969,410 valued at $531,265.

While catalogues have evolved almost numberless varieties from the straight issues, the department ignores all these and gives in its list only the authorized issues, and nothing appears about the issues for postal purposes that is not fully covered in the catalogue until the issue of 1870. At this time the changes in the rates of postage, both domestic and those set by the U. P. U. convention at Berne necessitated several changes in the stamps. The 7 cent stamp was issued in March 1871 to meet the demand occasioned by a reduced rate of foreign postage under the postal treaty with the North German Confederation. The 5 cent Taylor was issued for the new letter rate of postage under the U. P. U. convention of 1874, and this reduction of foreign rates rendered the 7, 12 and 24 cent values unnecessary, and they were discontinued. In 1893 the registry fee was reduced from 10 to 8 cents and on March 21 of that year an 8 cent stamp of the 1890 design was put out, and on March 1 the same value for the Columbian series. In 1894 when the Bureau began the printing of stamps, the 50 and 90 cent values were dropped and 30 and 100 cent values were started.

There have been three departures from the regular series of adhesive stamps, in 1869, 1893 (Columbian) and 1898 (Omaha or Trans-Mississippi). The 1869 issue was a radical departure from anything previously issued, and has never been imitated since, in shape, size, coloring or design, the number issued of each denomination were

1c....	24,988,100,	12c....	4,088,875
2c...	114,058,000	15c....	2,360,740
3c...	530,346.800	24c.....	414,325
6c.....	6,363,700	30c.....	513,180
10c.....	5,770,130	90c.....	77,650

The Columbian series of 1893 was issued partly to commemorate the discovery of America and partly as a speculation on the part of the then Postmaster-General who believed that collectors would buy the stamps in such amounts as to net the department a handsome profit. They were placed on sale January 1, 1893 and issued until 1898 and some offices still have a supply, though they are supposed to have

been called in. The over issue of the stamps rather defeated the object of the Department, collectors could get plenty of used stamps and did not take the unused ones. The number issued was

1c	449,195,550	50c	243,750
2c	1,464,588,750	$1	55,050
3c	11,501,250	$2	45,550
4c	19,181,550	$3	27,650
5c	35,248,250	$4	26,350
6c	4,707,550	$5	27,350
8c	10,656,550		
10c	16,516,950		2,014,216,300
15c	1,576,950	Delivered to	
30c	617,250	dept. as proof	
		specimens	16,800

Orange Special Delivery 5,099,500

When the time came for the issuing of the third series of this kind, the government limited the issue to the close of the year 1898 and the Omaha or Trans-Mississippi stamps were of fewer denominations and fewer in number, and command a better price in consequence. The number issued was

1c	70,993,400	10c	4,629,760
2c	159,720,800	50c	530,400
4c	4,924,500	$1.00	56,900
5c	7,694,180	$2.00	56,200
8c	2,927,200		

The coming Buffalo or Pan-American issue will have the denominations 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, and ten cents, and will probably be issued only during 1901.

The Columbian issue replaced the current issue during 1893, while the Omaha and Buffalo stamps are issued concurrently with the current issue, so that the number used is not so great.

There have been three material reductions in Domestic postal rates. The first took effect on July 1, 1845. The rates prior to this time were

"For every letter composed of a single sheet of paper conveyed not exceeding 30 miles, 6 cents: over 30 and not exceeding 80 miles, 10c: over 80 and not exceeding 150 miles, 12½ cents: over 150 and not exceeding 400 miles, 18¾ cents: and for all distances over 400 miles, 25 cents: and for every double letter, or letter composed of two pieces of paper, double these rates, and in proportion for additional pieces of paper." (How about the dealer who sent 1000 mixed continentals for 10 cents?)

At this time the reduction was made to 5 cents for any distance under 300 miles and to 10 cents for any distance over 300 miles for single letters: additional matter to be charged in proportion.

On March 3, 1851 to take effect July 1, 1851 rates for single letters were reduced to postage prepaid 3c, collect 5c, for distances not exeeeding 3000 miles: for any greater distance double these rates.

On October 1, 1883 a uniform rate of 2 cents per ounce for domestic letters was established.

It will be noted that in adjusting the stamps in each case to the new conditions the aim has been to keep the face of Washington on the unit stamp, the one in most common use. Up to 1851 he appears on 5 cent, from 1851 to 1883 on the 3 cent and and since then on the 2 cent of the regular issue.

There are two classes of stamps the use of which has been wholly abandoned: the official or department stamps, replaced by the so-called "penalty clause" on May 1, 1879, for example

Postoffice Department
Official Business
Penalty for Private Use $300.

and the newspaper and periodical stamps.

The official stamps were first issued under an act of Congress of March 1873 when the franking privilege, which had been grossly abused, was curtailed: to the departments on may 24, for use after July 1 of that year. By an act of July 5, 1884 they were, after 11 years use, declared obsolete and the stock in hand destroyed (so the official reports say). However, large numbers of them were kept as curios by clerks in the departments, and even yet large numbers of them are in department files on old envelopes and papers. An old report of the Bureau of Education which came to me wrapped for mailing, contained an envelope for acknowledging its receipt franked with a 3c Interior. The numbers of each denomination issued were:

AGRICULTURE.

1c	95,415	12c	51,265
2c	220,150	15c	54,050
3c	435,050	24c	60,255
6c	120,000	30c	82,265
10c	95,296		

EXECUTIVE.

1c	6,800	6c	5,500
2c	9,100	10c	5,150
3c	23,500		

INTERIOR.

1c	394,800	12c	359,850
2c	1,414,000	15c	257,100
3c	5,255,300	24c	134,126
6c	1,722,600	30c	138,300
10c	284,550	90c	64,377

JUSTICE

1c	25,000	12c	26,800
2c	26,900	15c	12,800
3c	182,000	24c	12,800
6c	84,000	30c	8,600
10c	20,500	90c	3,200

NAVY.

1c	106,800	12c	61,300
2c	201,300	15c	37,500
3c	580,700	24c	26,000
6c	234,800	30c	29,600
7c	16,000	90c	11,270
10c	55,210		

P. O.

1c	1,114,250	12c	299,780
2c	894,600	15c	109,280
3c	6,479,700	24c	87,625
6c	3,306,800	30c	133,255
10c	182,450	90c	65,200

STATE.

1c	31,800	24c	13,800
2c	41,800	30c	20,100
3c	109,200	90c	6,043
6c	82,100	$2	3,508
7c	37,800	$5	363
10c	64,900	$10	363
12c	20,800	$20	363
15c	22,800		

TREASURY

1c	2,900,000	12c	783,000
2c	2,485,500	15c	663,000
3c	11,250,000	24c	100,000
6c	4,105,000	30c	456,590
7c	220,000	90c	312,500
10c	291,500		

WAR

1c	3,391,320	12c	792,070
2c	1,867,160	15c	284,960
3c	5,393,137	24c	201,025
6c	3,584,813	30c	336,641
7c	55,728	90c	48,172
10c	342,152		

They were printed by the Continental and American Companies, and the whole value of those issued is stated as $8,049, 609.09. It is curious to note that only $1800 worth was issued to the Executive Office during the eleven years, in three lots of $600 each, the last lot during the year ending June 30, 1877: no wonder they are rare. It might also be noted that but 363 each of the State Department $5, $10 and $20 values were put out. The main design was the same as that on the corresponding value of the 1870 issue, except that for the Postoffice Department which, on account of the danger of confusion in postoffices where the ordinary stamps were for sale, the vignette was replaced by heavy numerals of value.

So far as the newspaper and periodical

stamps are concerned, it is difficult to understand who so cumbrous a system as that under which they were used was ever adopted. The object was the prepayment of publisher's matter in bulk. In September 1865, three values (5, 10 and 25 cent) were issued, printed by the National Bank Company. These were discontinued in 1869, the law under which they were used having been repealed. In January 1875, prepayment of postage at pound rates on second class matter went into effect, and a new series of these stamps was designed, the denominations of which are familiar to all collectors. The rates were two cents per pound for newspapers and three cents per pound for periodicals. May 1, 1879 the postage on newspapers and periodicals was made uniform at two cents per pound. July 1, 1885 the rate on second class matter was reduced to one cent per pound. Under the law of 1879 the three cent rate having been discontinued, the 3 and 9 cent stamps were dropped : with the change of 1885 a one cent stamp was issued and the three cent stamp was revived, but the nine cent was not brought out again, and the rarity of this value is thus accounted for. The stamps were to be affixed to the stub of the receipt given by the postmaster to the publisher for the payment made, and sent in to the department as a voucher; at present the stub, with the signature of the publisher, is sent in for comparison, dispensing with the stamp altogether, the public was not supposed to obtain possession of the stamps under any circumstances but they have always been obtainable by collectors—at a price.

They are the only series of stamps issued by the United States that require an explanation of the central design (the Omaha and Columbian series having labels descriptive of the picture). The 2 to 10 cent values show an emblematic figure of America, from the statue by Crawford on the dome of the Capitol at Washington; 12 to 96 cent, Astraea, the goddess of Justice; $1.92 and $3.00, the goddess of Victory; $6.00 the muse of history; $9 the goddess of wisdom; $12 the goddess of the fireside; $24 the goddess of peace; $36 an emblematic figure of Commerce; $48 the goddess of youth and $60 a vignette of an Indian maiden. The far better custom of giving a portait of a famous American—or, as in the 1869 series, national emblems—was abandoned on the very stamps which by reason of their size, 15-16 by 1⅜ inches, would have afforded the engraver an opportunity to display his skill in portrait work.

But they are a handsome series of stamps and upon their retirement in June 1898 the Postmaster-General decided to sell 50,000 sets at $5 each as souvenirs for collectors. In making up these sets it was found necessary to reprint the higher values, as of the originals only the following numbers were in suitable condition to send out

$5 value....155	$50..16,245
$10 value.11,640	$100...7,685
$20 value..8,780	

The reprints can be distinguished by the whiteness of the paper and gum. Up to June 30, 1899, 23,435 of the sets had been sold : statatistics have not been completed showing the sales for the last half of 1899 nor the number turned in by postmasters for destruction since January 1900.

Of all Periodical stamps, exclusive of the 50,000 sets the total value issued was $44, 123,016.88, but their scarcity is due to the prohibition of the Department against

their sale to the public.

Postage stamps have occasionally been used to supply a want in the revenue service of the Treasury Department. In 1898 the one and two cent ordinary and the $5 periodical were surcharged for Internal Revenue use Under the War Tariff act. Unofficially, many uses have been made of them, for due stamps, revenue stamps, and split as provisional postage stamps of smaller denominations, but these were not specifically authorized by the department, and were therefore not official though they may have passed muster.

Stamp books, letter sheets, and colonial provisionals are all of too recent issue not to be familiar. It is interesting that the former are a source of direct profit to Uncle Sam, the profit to June 7th on them was $15,973.56, due to the fact that while each book sells for one cent over and above the value of the stamps contained therein, the h[illegible] cost but ⅛ cent to manufacture.

The notes given above answer but a few of the interesting questions that arise in the mind of the collector as he scans his beloved "engravings" but space forbids further discourse. The Standard Catalog will give the skeleton, the rest can be filled in only by the study of years, as the United States has been and is, one of the most prolific of stamp-issuing countries.

The Congo Free State and Its Stamps.

BY HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

Are stamp collectors generally aware of the extent of territory covered by this dependency of Belgium in Africa? At first thought, it seems almost incredible, but it is a fact that the Congo Free State is more than three times as large as Texas, covering more space than any four countries of Europe in the aggregate, barring Russia. i. e., over 850,000 square miles.

The Congo Free State comprises most of the basin of the Congo river which is navi- for 450 miles. A narrow strip of its territory reaches to the west coast, where a regular steamer service connects it with Europe, and it is included in the Universal Postal Union. The name was given to it in 1885, when it was placed under the sovereignty of King Leopold II, the somewhat unpopular ruler of Belgium, brother of the unfortunate Carlotta, whose husband Maximilian, was deluded into the idea that he had a cinch on the Mexican Empire, and met an ignominious death. Leopold is also the father of the unfortunate Louise whose husband, Prince Philip of Saxe-Cobourg and Gotha, brutally whipped her publicly for protesting against his nefarious and licentious methods. Leopold bequeathed all his rights in the Congo Free State to Belgium, and she has the privilege of annexing it in 1901. In the customary routine of events, this may happen next year, when, of course, a new issue of stamps might be brought out as a sort of celebration of the event.

If a person takes up stamp collecting on the specializing plan, country by country, and desires beauty and comparative cheapness at the same time, he might do worse than to commence with this country of the Dark Continent. Barely $20 suffices to acquire the regular adhesives, which can mostly be obtained in either used or unused condition. The five values of 1886 contain a profile likeness of King Leopold, while those of 1887-94 bear a front view of him

with long black beard. In 1894 six handsome stamps of different designs were brought out in which scenery is a predominant feature, and the elephant and native African are not forgotten. The 5 centime stamp of 1894 (Scott's No. 14), in pale blue and black, which was changed to red brown and black in 1895, has been classed as about the handsomest stamp of all, but its change this year to the U. P. U. colors (green and black) rather injures its beauty. The 10 centime red brown of 1894 was changed to pale blue and black in 1895, and this year to the U. P. U. colors (carmine and black) being a handsome stamp all the time. The 25 centime, yellow orange and black of 1894, was a beautiful stamp, with its cataract, but is handsomer this year in its change to blue and black. The 50 centime green and black of 1894, I believe has been improved this year, but I have not seen it. The 1 franc lilac and black of 1874 shows the African elephant apparently charging on a hostile negro who seeks his destruction by means of the assegai. The 5 franc stamp of 1894 comes in carmine and black, and shows the warlike Hottentot (or some other tot) in an airy costume, without even a shirt waist to cover his nakedness. In 1896 a 15 centime value appeared, i. e. the much talked of "man or monkey" stamp, yellow and black, which although generally conceded to be a man, gave rise to much discussion and the status of the "critter" was never settled very satisfactorily. The 40 centime stamp of 1896, in blue and black, is of a different design than others, "Etat Independent du Congo" appearing in a sort of rainbow arch over a water scene, with the natives propelling a long canoe. In 1898 two high values appeared, the 3½ franc red and black, and the 10 franc yellow green and black, both rich in scenery and the latter showing a steam craft of some sort. All these stamps, from 1894 to 1900, are vertical, while the rest are horizontal. The 10 centime of 1895 has been seen with the black center inverted, and is probably uncollectable because scarce.

The postal packet stamps are expensive. They are five in number, all apparently having been originally intended for 5 franc stamps, but changed by surcharging to 3½ francs. The first, in 1887, shows a profile of the king in red purple. The surcharge is in blue, and varieties have been seen with inverted and double surcharges. Another 5 franc stamp of the same year, appeared in the same color, with the same surcharge, also with an inverted variety, the king's likeness being a front view. In 1888 and 1893 three of these 5 franc stamps appeared with a slightly altered front [illegible] portrait of the king. The first one of 1888 was in violet with a black surcharge, and this also came with an inverted surcharge. The same stamp appeared that year surcharged in blue. In 1893 it appeared in gray with black surcharge. If a person doesn't care for the issues bearing the king's "fizog," he can have the handsome scenic issues entire of this country for a $10 bill—nearly.

The Model Collector.

BY R. F. WRIGLEY.

To my mind the ideal collector will collect such stamps which prepay postage only. To him labels denoting that document, beer, medicine or tobacco taxes have been paid will have no interest; he will find

no charm in telephone or telegraph franks, or labels used to seal post office packages.

First, and most important of all, our model will not be a dealer in any sense of the word, but collect for the pleasure in it only. Of course he will accumulate duplicates, all collectors do, and he will dispose of them by exchanging with other collectors or the use of the exchange departments in his local and national societies, the proper and best outlet for his surplus stamps.

He will, of course, be a member of a couple of good societies, one local and the other national. He will attend all meetings and conventions possible; the good times he will have and make will amply repay him. He will patronize the departments as much as he can and he will not keep exchange lots several weeks.

He will not be unduly anxious for office, but if so preferred by his fellow members he will in all ways promote the interests of his society, not for private gain or personal vanity but all for the good of his association. He will do all this anyway, but with the larger field of an officer, he will work harder of course.

He will be a subscriber to the best philatelic magazines, all of them that he can afford; in fact, when an interesting idea occurs to him he will present it as pleasingly as he can to his fellow philatelists. Naturally, he will encourage his younger collecting friends by advice, and a few duplicates placed where they will be appreciated, and will always be ready to give the benefit of his experience and knowledge (for a model collector will have much of the latter) to those less favored.

His standard of ethics will be very high. It seems to require an effort to refrain from "doing" another collector and rejoicing about it afterwards as "good business." The true collectors will not cheat—that is the only word for it—young or ignorant collectors do so merely because they do not know the value of the property.

In the care of his collection our Model will be extremely carefnl. It will be clean and neatly mounted, preferrably in blank albums.

Lastly he will be charitable to his fellow collectors, have patience with their mistakes and refrain from the backbiting so common in stamp publications and circles.

I will leave him here. I should like to meet a half a dozen such people with all of the above qualities combined, but as every person has his own way of believing and acting I fear that I shall be unsuccessful; however, I trust that every one means well in his own way.

Kisses By Mail.

A young postmaster of a village postoffice was hard at work when a gentle tap was heard upon the door and in stepped a bashful maiden of sixteen, with a money order, which she desired cashed. She handed it to the official with a bashful smile, who after closely examining it, handed her the money it called for. At the same time he asked her if she had read what was written on the margin of the order.

"No, I have not," she replied, "for I can not make it out. Will you please read it for me?"

The young postmaster read as follows: "I send you $3 and a dozen kisses."

Glancing at the bashful girl, he said: "Now, I have paid you the money and I suppose you want the kisses."

"Yes," she said, "If he has sent me any kisses I want them too."

It is hardly necessary to say that the rest of the order was promptly paid, and in a scientific manner at that, and eminently satisfactory to the maiden.

After she arrived home she remarked to her mother: "Eh, mother, but this postoffice system of ours is a great thing, developing more and more every year, and each new feature added seems to be the best. Jimmy sent me a dozen kisses along with the money order, and the postmaster gave me twenty. It beats the special delivery system all hollow."

Breaking a 4000 Collection

and the purchasers of these stamps will get the benefit. I am breaking my general collection as I intend to go into specializing extensively. I am sorry to part with it, but it seems that my destiny is with specialists. All stamps are very fine and rare ones as well as commoner ones will go at less than half catalogue. The albums (2 fine volumes) will also go. First column gives No. in lot; next cat. val. and last column my price.

1. Argentine Republic	40	2.02	.95
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15. Egypt	16	.40	.19
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17. France (unpaid)	18	.81	.40
18. Germany	50	2.16	1.05
19. Great Britain	86	6.44	3.20
20. Greece	28	.77	.35
21. Honduras env unused	38	[illegible]	[illegible]
22. Hungary	36	.97	.45
23. India proper	30	[illegible]	[illegible]
24. Italy (almost complete)	73	[illegible]	[illegible]
25. Japan	41	[illegible]	[illegible]
26. Mexico	45	2.37	1.15
27. Natal	9	.44	.20
28. Netherlands (fine)	42	2.80	1.40
29. New South Wales	18	.86	.40
30. New Zealand	28	1.78	.85
31. Nicaragua	13	.70	.30
32. Norway (fine)	33	1.00	.50
33. Paraguay	10	.85	.42
34. Persia	10	.32	.15
35. Peru	34	2.47	1.20
36. Portugal	24	1.30	.65
37. Portugal (India)	11	.34	.15
38. Prussia	8	.40	.20
39. Queensland	23	.75	.30
40. Roman States	4	.32	.15
41. " 2 sets reprint	14		.20
42. Roumania (fine)	42	1.30	.60
43. Samoa	4	.43	.20
44. " set of reprints	7	—	.20
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46. Servia	17	.62	.30
47. South African Rep. fine	30	2.82	1.50
48. South Australia	11	.77	.35
49. Spain	53	2.48	1.20
50. Sweden	42	.98	.45
51. Switzerland	50	2.26	1.13
[illegible]	18	1.68	.80
[illegible] Turkey	17	1.28	.60
[illegible]	20	.77	.35
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6.	10c "	5
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9.	3c "	300
10.	5c "	25
11.	8c "	10
12.	8c "	20
13.	*10c special delivery	5
14.	1c Jubilee	100
15.	2c "	10
16.	3c "	100
17.	5c Jubilee	5
18.	2c map stamp	25
19.	*2c on 3c maple leaf	10
20.	2c on 3c numeral	25
21.	2c on 3c maple leaf	25
22.	*8c Jubilee	5
23.	*envelopes 2c on 3c	5
24.	*Letter cards 2c on 3c	5
25.	20c red Canada	5
26.	*½d English Army official (red)	10
27.	*½d " " " "	100
28.	*1c Honduras	25
29.	*½c Newfoundland	40
30.	2c U. S. Columbians	1000
31.	2c " green old	500
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33.	Natal assd	150
34.	Russia fine assorted	100
35.	New Zealand "	100
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* " 1893, 5c on 6c green	.07
* " 1894, 5c carm & black	.07
* " 1896, 2c	.03
* " 1896, 5c	.07
* " 1896, 10c	.12
* " 1897, 3c	.04
* " 1900, 1c	.02
* " 1900, 5c	.07
*Niger Coast ½-1-2d	.12
* " 6d	.20
* " 1sh	.45
* " 7d unwatermarked	.20
* " 1sh "	.50
Venezuela 12 var cat 31c	.12
[illegible]land 4p 1863	.45
*Zululand ½p 1888	.05
* " ½p 1894	.03
* " 3p 1894	.17
*Tonga 1p 1897	.04
*Germany 1 mark 1900	.30

Sets.

*Argentine Republic 6 var 1900	.35
*Tasmania 1900 ½-1-2½-3-4-5-6	.65
*Hayti 1899 1-2-5	.08
*Luxemburg 1894 1-2-4-5	.05
*Soudan 1898 1-2-3-5	.12
*Switzerland 1900 5-10-25	.15
*New Hebrides 1897, 1-2c	.12
*Gambia 1887-89 set complete	1.15
Mexico 1886-87 8 var cat 1.18	.12
*Nicaragua 1891, set 10 var.	.35
Labuan 1897 1-2-3-5-6-8	.15
North Borneo 1897 1-2-3-5-6-8	.15

Evolution of the Dealer.

BY FINDLAY I. WEAVER.

Behold a boy in knee pants. He becomes a collector through his playmates being collectors. After being shown the folly of amassing vast quantities of one and two cent stamps and calling the aggregation his "collection" he starts on the right way and collects in a civilized manner. He gets sight of a stamp paper and sees 1000 foreign stamps offered for 18c. He decides to invest. Not having the wherewithal, he sets out on a bone-collecting expedition, and after some exciting times with fierce dogs in back yards, he gets enough bones together to exchange for the amount required to buy the stamps and sets out for the joint of the village "bone-jack." He comes away with the coin jingling merrily in his pocket, finds it very hard to pass the confectionery windows but at length gets home and begins his letter to the dealer. He draws the letters in each word and sends it away.

The stamps arrive in due time and the lad is all excitement. On finding that the stamps are not all different his ardor is somewhat checked, but he survives the shock and remains true to philatelia.

Next, the dealer's instinct touches him. Happy thought! He can take what stamps he needs for his collection and sell the rest for more than he paid for the lot. He acts on this thought and accomplishes his object. This first success leads him on and soon the monetary part of the pursuit eclipses his love for the hobby. He sacrifices his collection to it, and is no longer a stamp collector, but a stamp parasite. While in this stage he does more harm than good to philately.

This is the dealer so-called, who spreads abroad the common continentals on approval sheets asking ridicuously high prices for them. He finds out that the dealer's path is not all strewn with roses. His customers stay with him long enough to find out what kind of a dealer he is and then desert him. Soon the whole stamp business becomes nauseous to him. He becomes an outcast and takes his stand with the sneering ones who attempt to make fun of stamp collecting, fail miserably in the attempt and make laughing stocks of themselves. The erstwhile deciple of philatelia may remain outside her gates for years, but eventually his old stamp collecting instinct is awakened. Perchance a commemorative stamp has caused the transformation. He collects again and is more enthusiastic than ever. Again he becomes a dealer but this time his mature mind points him the right way to go about establishing a stamp business. He goes into it and makes a success of the venture.

No doubt many who have read this call it nonsense, but take a look into the matter for yourself and you will be surprised to find how much of the foregoing is true of the average dealer. If the reader is a dealer of the latter variety, he probably has been through the mill and knows all about it.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Those who are railing at the precancelled stamp as a speculative affair, and to be shunned, might turn their attention for a few minutes to the J. Ellwood Lee Co., and its ''stiekers.'' An advertisement

from the company's "authorized agent" states that there are 6000 sets complete of these stamps, 5 values, all that there will ever be, that the law will be repealed, and that the price from January 1, 1901 is $1.50 per set.

The cost of a die at the Treasury Department is about $100.00, 5 of them total $500 : the 6000 sets at 9½ cents a set cost the company $570. The whole thing therefore stands them in $1070; and the difference between that and $9,000 shows the profit on this private issue $7,930.

Two questions are suggested by the above figures, is that firm placing these stamps on its preparations, or is it using the regular private proprietary issue? If the accredited agent and the company make an equal divvy on the $7930, what's the use of putting the stamps on preparations, thereby curtailing the sale of the complete sets?

The possible profits of an issue made for collectors only seem so large, that so long as too many firms don't lend themselves to the business the opportunities are great.

But don't talk about speculation, and Scebecks, and then disburse for these.

THAT THE War Revenue Tax *will* probably be repealed this session so far as regards proprietary preparations does not affect the above item.

DREW & Company hold two auctions this month, one of United States stamps, a complete collection, in fine condition, and the other foreign, selections from Special Countries.

THE COLLECTION of proofs is a line of itself, and it is not for the specialist in these that I append a few prices that may be useful. In my own collection, a blank space is not pleasant, but there are some stamps that it may be many years before I get them, and others that are unattainable. So, these spaces pending the arrival of their rightful occupier, are fillled with a proof or a "specimen." The field of proofs is a large one, the field of "specimens" larger and that of "essays" and "attempts" limitless." The prices given below are ones that are pretty sure to be successful in getting *card* proofs at auctions in the United States. (India proofs run from three to six times these). Only the more common ones are given. though proofs exist of nearly all the regular and private proprietary issues.

Issue	Values	No. in set.	Price
1847	5, 10	2	$1.00
1851-57	1 to 90c	8	1.50
1861-63	1 to 90c	10	1.50
	Premier gravures 1 3	2	2.60
1869	1 to 90c	10	2.00
1870	1 to 90c	11	1.50
1882-88	5-2-4-2-3-1-4-5-30-90	10	1.75
1890	1 to 90c	11	1.50
1893	1 to $5	16	5.00
1894	1c to $5	13	3.25
1898	Omaha 1 to $2 in 2 cols	9	11.00

Issue	No. in set.	Price
Agriculture	9	.99
Executive	5	1.25
Interior	10	1.50
Justice	11	2.00
Navy	11	1.25
Postoffice	10	1.25
State	15	4.75
Treasury	11	1.50
War	11	1.00
1865 Periodicals	3	1.25
1875 "	24	6.00
Special Delivery 1885, '88, '93	3	.50
Unpaid (any set)	7	1.25
Eagle & Franklin carrier stamps	2	.75

The grouping in sets seems to be almost invariable, and it is necessary to get the set and trade off the ones not wanted. Only a few of the many are above noted, but the others are not usually needed by the stamp collector, as the stamps themselves can be procured. A dealer is now advertising the "inverted" 1869 values in card proofs blocks of four, but as these are probably a "made-to-order" error and cost about $50 per 1 or $200 per block, they cannot be regarded as elegible "space-fillers."

PRECANCELLED STAMPS, despite the fact that they are easy to manufacture and are really only post marks, are somewhat fascinating, and several papers in the United States and quite a number of collectors give space in their colums and albums, for these "side line" attractions. Several lists have appeared, notably in the *Philatelic Bulletin* and the *Philatelic Chronicle*, and the list given below is compiled from these with the addition of quite a number of other specimens that have come within the writer's observation. Bar cancellations giving no clue as they do to the city of issue are not noted. The general form of cancellation consists of the name of the city and usually the state, with a bar above and below, placed either vertically or horizontally on the stamp.

Akron, Ohio	1898	1 cent.
Ashland, Ohio	1898	1 "
Attica, Ind.	1898	1 "
Battle Creek, Mich	1898	1 "
	1895	3 "
Boston, Mass.	1890	1 "
	1895	1 "
(also inverted)	1898	1 "
(Roxbury Cross Sta)	1898	1 "
(also inverted)	1895	2 "
	1895	3 "
	1895	4 "
	1895	5 "
	1899	5 "
Burlington, Vt.	1887	1 "
(also with double print)	1898	1 "
Chattanooga, Tenn. Circular surcharge		
Highland Park Sta	1898	1 cent
St. Elmo Station	1898	1 "
	1895	2 "
Danbury, Conn	1898	1 "
Dayton, Ohio	1898	1 "
Decorah, Iowa	1898	1 "
Dixon, Ill.	1898	1 "
Evansville, Ind	1898	1 "
also "Evansville, Indiana"		
Franklin Grove, Ill.	1898	1 "
Grand Rapids, Mich.	1898	1 "
Holyoke, Mass.	1898	1
Indianapolis, Ind.	1898	1
	1895	3 "
La Crosse, Wis.	1898	1 "
	1895	3 "
Lincoln, Neb.	1895	1 "
also with blue surcharge	1898	1 "
	1895	5
	1895	3 "
Lowell, Mass.	1898	1 "
also error "owell L, Mass	1895	2 "
Lynn, Mass.	1898	1 "
	1895	2 "
	1895	3 "
	1899	4 "
	1899	5 "
	1899	6 "
	1895	8 "
	1899	10 "
	1899	15 "
Postage Due 1, 2, 10c	1895	
Milwaukee, Wis.	1895	1 "
also without upper bar.		
	1898	1 "
	1895	2 "
	1895	3 "
	1899	4 "
Minneapolis, Minn.	1898	1 "
also with blue, brown and diagonally printed surch.		
	1895	2 "
also with diag printed surch.		
"	1895	3 "
"	1899	4 "
	1899	6 "

Moline, Ill.	1898	1	"
	1895	2	"
New Haven, Conn.	1899	4	"
Providence, R. I, also red surcharge	1898	1	"
Racine, Wis.	1898	1	"
	1895	2	"
	1895	3	"
	1899	5	"
	1895	8	"
Rochester, N. Y	1898	1	"
	1895	2	"
St. Albans, Vt.	1898	1	"
Saint Joseph, Wis.	1899	4	"
St. Paul Minn. also blue surcharge also without "Minn"	1898	1	"
	1899	6	"
Salem, Mass.	1898	1	"
	1895	3	"
South Glastonbury, Conn	1898	1	"
Titusville, Pa.	1898	1	"

The *Philatelic West and Camera News* for November had a "debate" on the question of postmark collecting; whether all the postmark or only the dater should be saved. All the postmark seems to get the decision, but the exposition and fair cancellations, and in large cities the station name could be added as a further reason for this side of the question. If the dater only is saved, these are cut off.

A parcels post convention has been concluded with Venezuela.

REPRESENTATIVE PAYNE has introduced a bill in Congress amending the War Revenue Act (by the time this is printed it may be law). Stamp duties are materially reduced on commercial documents, while those on proprietary medicines are taken off entirely, the only charge under Schedule B being on wines.

J. M. BARTELS CO., of Washington, held a successful auction in December; as it is the first that has been held there for several years the interest and attendance was good. Prices ran well, the U. S. Colonials going at especially good figures, over catalogue in several cases. A Porto Rico No 7 unused brought $6.50, a record.

A Stamp's Beauty.

BY E. V. CAMPION.

During the past few years many new postage stamps have been placed before the collector and the majority of them have been so finely engraved as to win his admiration.

While these stamps reflect credit on the country where they are issued, do they always please the collector? Let us see. Take the young collector, place an approval sheet before him containing some beautifully engraved Central American stamps and also some rare United States and Canadian varieties, mark no value on the sheet and notice the stamps he will select. The bright colored stamps fascinate him and they are removed while the rare varieties are left.

Place the same sheet before the experienced collector he has no desire for the showy stamps as his choice will show. These "Seebecks" (as they are called) are striking in appearance and often lure the the young collector into purchasing them, but aside from their outward showing they are worth only a few cents compared with the old issues of other countries.

The one good quality about these Central American stamps is that they can be had cheap, and the experienced collector who invests in them does not grudge the money as they help to fill the blank spaces in his album, aud we often see the foregoing beautiful stamps arranged in a

blank album with such taste as to make them the feature of the collection from an artistic point of view.

I do not contend that all the highly colored stamps are low valued, take the Canadian Jubilees, the Cabots, and Omahas, which are par-excellence in regard to design, engraving, etc. These are the stamps the collector is sure to invest in. Why? Because they are instructive and have been issued by a Government to celebrate some great event, or in the remembrance of some occurence which has taken place in the past, and the collector who purchases them places them in his album as a souvenir of these events.

In regard to the values of the above stamps, let us take the Canadian Jubilees for instance. They can now be obtained at reasonable prices and the collector is willing to invest in them not only for their beauty, but for the interesting and instructive facts connected with them. The same can be said about the Omahas and Cabots. Can this be said about the Central American stamps? Look over their history. The most of them are engraved in New York and sold there, hardly any unused specimens were ever in the country they were prepared for.

This is the reason the collector is unwilling to collect them and of the numerous complaints lodged against them. So we see that the beautiful stamps are not always the ones that the collector is striving to obtain. His desire is to purchase the old issues which were postally used. Where can we find an experienced collector who will accept an unused stamp of pretty design in preference to an old stamp of the same country? why does he like the old issues? Maybe they are more valuable some collectors are apt to answer. The true collector never thinks of their value. It is partly because he finds more beauty in the old issues than in the present ones, and another reason is that he wants to learn more about the history of the past and where can he learn better than by the postage stamp?

The old stamps of United States, Canada and other old issues of North America are favorites with the collector and some of them are very beautiful notwithstanding the fact that most of them are printed in one color. Place one of the above varieties along side of the present bright colored stamps. A great contrast is noticed, the latter stamps appear to have a polished appearance while the former with their soft rich colors are by far the more beautiful.

The countries of today are certainly to be complimented upon the magnificent stamps which they are turning out. We find hundreds of fine stamps which help to make the collector's album a thing of beauty and also a portrait gallery containing photos of the Monarchs and Presidents of the different countries of the world. In the foregoing I have endeavored to give a few facts about "A Stamps Beauty" but no doubt there are other reasons for the fact that the collector leans towards the old issues which perhaps could be explained by a more competent person than myself.

PORTO RICO

Counterfeits and Reprints of the Surcharged Issues of 1898.

BY JOHN N. LUFF.

Philatelists are well aware that, during the war between this country (U. S.) and

Spain, it was found necessary to issue, in the island of Puerto Rico, provisional stamps for postal and fiscal needs. These were made by surcharging such postage stamps of obsolete issues as were on hand. For postal purposes the stamps were surcharged in three lines "Habilatado—PARA —1898 y 99". For revenue purposes the surcharge was "IMPUESTO—DE GUERRA" in two lines with, on certain values, an additional line "2 ctvs." or "5 ctvs." These revenue stamps were intended to pay a special war tax on letters. This tax was either two or five centavos. When the surcharge was applied to postage stamps of either of these values, the surcharge of two lines was employed. When stamps of other values were to be overprinted, the surcharge bearing the new value in a third line was necessarily used.

The various surcharges were made by means of rubber hand-stamps and the colors were such as are commonly employed for such stamping, viz: purple violet and rose. The "Habilatado" surcharge was at first applied by means of a large stamp that made ten impressions at a time.

Thus we have 10 varieties of the imprint but the differences are so minute that it is difficult to distinguish them. Subsequently, for convenience, this hand stamp was cut in two parts and the surcharging done in rows of five. To the use of these large hand stamps is due the fact that the surcharge often appears on the side margins of the sheets and the spaces between the panels of stamps. The "Impuesto" surcharge in two lines was also stamped in rows of ten. I have not been able to detect any marked varieties in this overprint. The companion surcharge, with the new value in a third line, was stamped in rows of five and the differences between the varieties are very slight.

Ordinarily the "Impuesto de guerra" stamps pay only a fiscal tax and are not recognized by collectors of postage stamps. But in the case of this particular issue an exception must be made. The reason for this is given in the *Journal* for January 1899, as follows: "Between the time of the signing of the protocol which ended hostilities, on August 12th, and the final transfer of the island, on October 17th, to the sovereignty of the United States, Porto Rico stamps of all kinds were accepted in full payment of postage and the surcharges referred to (i. e. the "Impuestos" were included among those so accepted, many of them were used during that period, on letters to all parts of the world, and they must now be recognized as worthy of a place in the stamp collections."

As might be expected, some varieties of these surcharges have proved to be scarce. At the same time there are in certain hands, large stocks of the same values without surcharge. The temptation to convert the one the other is obvious. Recent developments show that the temptation has proved too great for weak human nature to resist.

I was lately shown a quantity of these surcharges but was at once struck by certain peculiarieties. Deciding to investigate them, I consulted Mr. J. M. Andreini, and found that sterling philatelist at work on the same line. Thereupon we combined our efforts and thus I am enabled to lay before you the following result. There are at this time being offered in the market, by parties in Porto Rico, two lots of stamps bearing fraudulent surcharges. The first lot is not especially dangerous to anyone who is at all familair with the genuine stamps or

who uses ordinary care. The second lot is a much more serious affair as it consists of many genuine varieties, mixed with dangerous counterfeits and, what I believe to be, reprints. As the vendor of this lot holds a large quantity of unsurcharged remainders he is able to offer his products in sheets as well as singly.

I shall not attempt to describe minutely the differences between the genuine and the fraudulent surcharges, as to do so might enable the forgers to correct their mistakes and make something still more difficult to detect. But I shall describe the counterfeits in a general way.

The stamps of the first lot are, so far as I have seen, offered singly, that is to say, as detached specimens and not in sheets. The majority of them are cancelled. Not only have the surcharges been applied to used stamps, often of impossible dates, but unused stamps have been obliterated with fraudulent postmarks. I base the latter conclusion on the fact that, in one large selection which I have seen, the cancellations were all of certain dates, many of the stamps retained their gum, and irregularities in the perforation showed them to have belonged to the same sheets. The readers will remember that genuinely cancelled copies of these stamps can only bear dates from June 8th to October 17th, 1898, inclusive. Many of the surcharges are printed in ink which is too red while others closely resemble the correct rose shade. The impression of these surcharges is usually too clear and sharp. The manufacturer has been liberal in providing inverted and double surcharges. I have before me the following varieties and think it probable that others exist.

Those marked * have forged cancellations.

"Habilitado para 1898 y 99"
Red or rose surcharge
*½m violet
½m red brown
1m violet brown
2m salmon
4m blue green
1c claret
2c orange brown
3c dark blue
3c claret brown
4c slate blue
4c brown
5c yellow green
5c blue green
5c dark blue
*6c violet
20c olive gray

"Impuesto de guerra"
Red or rose surcharge
*5c on ½m red brown
Purple surcharge
*2c on 2m yellow green
Violet surcharge
*5c on 1m violet brown

As I have said, the second lot is much more dangerous and is offered under conditions which tend to disarm suspicion. Leaving aside the test for genuineness, which we do not think advisable to publish, the surcharges may be described as irregularly placed and often in too bright colors. The latter point is not, however, a certain test. The forger evidently had no unused stock of the 3c dark blue and therefore selected for his purpose used copies which showed only a small portion of the cancellation mark. But in any large lot a few tell-tale dates can usually be found. The 5c green has also been decorated with a variety of surcharge

hitherto unknown, viz: "IMPUESTA—DE GUERRA—2 C. DE PESO", in three lines of Roman capitals printed in either black or red. This is internal evidence that this variety is entirely fraudulent. In making these articles the collectors of varieties have been remembered, and inverted, double and sideways surcharges have been provided for their delectation.

The list of these frauds is as follows :

"Habilitado para 1898 y 99"

Rose surcharge.

½m violet
2m salmon
3c dark blue
6c orange
8c rose
40c claret

"Impuesta de guerra 2c de peso"

Black surcharge

2c on 5c blue green

Red surcharge

2c on 5c blue green

The 3c blue and 8c rose exist with genuine surcharge and Mr. Andreini has a copy of the ½m violet on which the overprint, though somewhat blurred, appears to answer all tests. I doubt that any others of this list were ever officially and correctly surcharged.

But the most dangerous items of this lot are, what I believe to be, reprints. In *Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News* for October 25th. 1900, Mr. Andreini states that Mr. Fontanals—the purchaser of the remainders of the surcharged stamps and of the hand-stamps by which the work was done—told him that one of the surcharging dies had "unaccountably disappeared."

I have before me certain impressions of the "Impuesto" surcharge in three lines which, beyond any question, are not originals. The surcharge is identical with the first variety of the row of five and I believe that to have been the one which was lost or stolen and that these impressions were made from it. The list is as follows :

Surcharged "Impuesta de Guerra" and new value

Purple surcharge.

2c on 2m salmon

Rose surcharge.

5c on ½m red brown
5c on 1m blue
5c on 5c yellow green

I have seen undoubted originals of the 2c on 2m salmon but I believe the others of the above list to be entirely fancy articles. There is, however, a genuine surcharge in violet of 5c on 1m blue.

In view of these unpleasant discoveries, I am inclined to doubt the genuineness of certain other varieties of these surcharges which have been chronicled but which I have not seen. If any of my readers can loan me copies of the following the favor will be appreciated.

"Habilitado para 1898 y 99"

Rose surcharge.

4c lilac rose

"Impuesta de Guerra"

Purple surcharge.

2c lilac rose
5c yellow green

Rose surcharge

2c on 2m salmon
2c on 5c yellow green

Black Surcharge

2c on 2m salmon
3c on 10c rose
4c on 20c rose
5c on 5c blue green

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Editorial Opinions.

Our Fifth Holiday Number.

With this number we present our readers with the fifth Holiday Number of the ADVOCATE. For reasons apparent to all we called it our "20th Century Number." When we look back at our former special numbers, we are not disappointed; true there is a large difference in the number of pages, but at that time we were unable to print any more on account of our printing establishment not being equal to the occasion. However, time has changed things, obviously for the better and we hope our readers will be satisfied with our feeble attempt to celebrate the incoming of a new century.

Since we began publishing our magazine we have always aimed to better the cause of philately in every respect, our principle desire being to bring all the collectors possible into the ranks of every-day philately. As most persons know, there are a large number of collectors who prefer to remain unknown to the philatelic world at large; so numerous are they, that perhaps, some readers will be astounded to have us declare that there are more collectors who collect [illegible] and who are not subscribers to any stamp paper—probably do not know [illegible] of any—than there are who collect publicly. This has been proven conclusively to us time and again, even in our own town we have made the acquaintance of many who we never imagined were collectors. These persons become the most enthusiastic after they once see the actual joys and benefits of philately. If

any of our readers who by chance make the acquaintance of persons who are ignorant concerning the advancement of philately, will hand them an ADVOCATE, do a little talking and use some persuasion, this class of collectors will gradually be brought to the front. It is just possible that there over twenty-five collectors of this class, in every town or city of 10,000 or more inhabitants, and if this should prove to be the case, there is a large field open to philatelic publishers and dealers. One way to secure the names of such persons, is by issuing special numbers so attractive in appearance that collectors will show them to their friends and they will at once be interested. If a person is shown a poorly printed, or a very small number of a magazine, it inefficiently shows the true cause and aim of philately. A large and attractive special number of any stamp magazine is sure to add many new recruits to philately.

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The Dominion Philatelic Association is gradually nearing the top of the list of philatelic associations, particulary so far as numerical strength is concerned: and among the members there is no laxity of enthusiasm. It is evidently the object of the greater part of the members to make the D. P. A. the leading society on this continent. The choosing of our Quebec president for a second term, has no doubt incensed the members in the lower province to a high pitch of enthusiasm, and to make them still more zealous in their desire, the members saw fit to unanimously elect Montreal, Quebec the convention seat for the first year in the century. In spite of the good work there is room for more members, and every one should use the departments as they are solely intended for the use of every member in the association.

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If you are looking for an unused 8 cent Canadian Jubilee, don't hesitate, but send 25 cents for a year's subscription and we send the stamp free.

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Success, a prominent New York magazine is authority for the statement that George Washington never saw a postage stamp or an envelope.

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We trust the readers of the ADVOCATE will forgive us for the frequent appearance of small paragraphs extolling the good qualities of this issue. It is with a certain degree of pardonable pride that we do so, for it is not every month, one has the pleasure of seeing a respectable sized stamp magazine. It is our ambition to issue a 50 page monthly magazine devoted to philately, but present conditions and the support of philatelists does not allow it.

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It is easier to make your collection neat when you first start, than to change it, afterwards.

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A good ad in a good paper is sure to bring golden returns. Did you notice the

ads in this issue? It will pay you to read them if you desire to purchase any good stamps.

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It is not an idle boast when we say that we were the first of the stamp publishers to demand cash in advance from everybody and abide by our decision. We have tried the plan for over a year and have met with splendid success. True there have been some who felt very indignant at us claiming cash with copy and also declaring that we were the first to question their reliability. To these we would respectfully state that we do not question their financial standing in the least, but we treat all alike, not granting any more concessions to a man who has a large capital than to the man with a small capital. It is not wholly our loss if they do not place their advertisements in the ADVOCATE. What is their loss is other people's gain, and if they prefer to lose a large amount of trade by refusing to pay cash (or unused current issue 1 and 2 cent Canadian or United States' stamps) it is their lookout. Merely because such and such a publisher allows payment on receipt of bill is no reason why we should do so. At present we feel comparatively safe in saying that we are the only stamp magazine publishers in Canada or United States who demand and get cash in advance for advertising. Quite number claim they do so, but when a tempting offer is made by a large and reliable firm to pay on receipt of marked copy and bill, they succumb to the inevitable, but the ADVOCATE treats all alike, and the sensible dealers and collectors think the better of it for so doing.

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If you want one hundred varieties of stamps send 25c for a year's subscription and we'll send you the stamps by return mail free.

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It is possible that some of our readers may get more copies of this number than they need. If you receive more than one and wish to do a good turn for philately, and also for the ADVOCATE, hand it to a friend with an invitation to subscribe. We thank all in advance who do so.

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Advertising stamps is vastly different from almost any other class of advertising. It is not always necessary to have a large convincing headline—although it is decidedly better to have one—because earnest stamp collectors begin on the inside cover and read every word to see if there is some particular stamp they desire. They read every ad clear through to the back cover, for fear there may be something they especially desire—and there usually is. When they find what they want the next thing in mind is the price and condition. But, price first, because, nowadays, above all things a dealer must be very particular to have nice clean specimens, no perforations missing, not too heavily cancelled, no slight tears, etc. If the stamp is not in this condition it is sure to be returned, and justly so, for it is generally understood that unless otherwise stated, the stamp is in good condition. In the case of the younger collectors replying to ads, they are only following in the footsteps of their elders, the price being their favorite point in view, and packets, not single stamps, their quest.

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Some of the members of the D. P. A. are under the wrong impression that when

they pay their dues they are entitled to a a premium. When a member pays his dues he is entitled to the official organ and all the benefits of the association. Some of the members who wish a premium, send 25 cents with their dues and have the ADVOCATE sent to a friend, and the premium to themselves, and it is a good idea. We give any premium advertised on first page.

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First impressions are the best. Remember this when you start advertising and make the size of your ad accordingly.

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Philately is certainly progressing very satisfactorily, especially in the last year. Most of the readers of the ADVOCATE have probably noticed that the penchant of the majority of daily newspapers is to help anything along which is growing and to push anything down which is failing. The progressing daily newspapers are gradually adding stamp departments to their Saturday or Sunday editions. Most of these are managed by persons who do not know much about stamps but they soon become interested, and it is therefore an addition to our ranks. People who have collected in years gone by, see these departments; are at once interested, and that old desire to collect is at once awakened and they again spend all they can afford and sometimes more for a desired specimen to fill an empty space.

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We have taken considerable trouble to make all the advertisements in this issue attractive. Some could not be made so attractive as others, but we assure our readers that there are good offers in nearly every ad in this issue. If the ad does not appear worthy of reading you better read it, it may contain some stamp you are looking for.

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We invite our readers to peruse the Trade Notes in this issue. They will assist in finding the ads you want.

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We have received Scott's 60th catalogue and it is truly worth the price 58 cents. It contains more pages and illustrations than ever and tae price remains the same. The original announcements stated that it would appear Nov. 15th, but it appeared in N. Y. City just before Christmas. Although it may not be true it is surmised that there will be no catalogue issued this year, but whether this will be confirmed is not known. In fact it is quite likely that the Scott Co., do not know at this early date whether a catalogue will be issued in 1901. We offer this paper and the catalog for only 65 cents postfree, or the catalogue alone 58c post free. We have completed arrangements whereby our customers in the United States can secure catalogues from us without paying duty. Canadians also receive it duty free.

The D. P. A. How to use it.

For Members and Non Members.

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New Zealand.

The first universal penny postage stamp has been printed, and will be ready for issue by New Zealand on the first day of the new century. The scheme was put through so expeditiously in New Zealand that very little time was left for the production of the stamp on this side. Sir Edward Poynter, the president of the Royal Academy, was to have designed the new stamp, but ill health prevented him from doing so at once, and there was no time for delay. The designing and printing of the stamp were, therefore, entrusted to Messrs Waterlow and Sons, Limited. They have produced, if not a very striking stamp, at all events a thoroughly graceful and artistic one.

The stamp is carmine, the color selected by the Postal Union for all penny stamps. On the shore stands New Zealand, a tall and graceful female figure, clad in classic flowing robes, her hair streaming in the fresh breeze that is blowing over the Southern Seas, over which she is gazing. In the background, faintly outlined, is seen Mount Egmont's snowy, tapering peak. With her right hand New Zealand points across the sea, on which a steamer is conveying her tidings of goodwill to all the nations of the earth. Her left hand pointing earthward grasps a caduceus, Mercury's winged rod entwined by two serpents, the symbol of swift communication and commerce. Thus is indicated the despatch of her mails by land and sea. The globe behind her typifies the wold-wide extent of her correspondence. In a ribbon above are the words "New Zealand," in one below "Universal Postage." The value, "one penny" appears in a broad band at the foot. The stamp is bordered by ornamental scrolls, while each top corner is occupied by a circle enclosing a six-pointed star. Altogether the designer must be congratulated on his work.—*Sydney Daily Telegraph.*

Economy in Collecting.

BY H. E. TUTTLE.

I may be taken to task by the "brethren" for suggesting such a thing as economy in the making of a collecting of stamps. Many writers contend that we should never count the money we put into our collection, but spend it as freely and as indiscriminately as though we were at a county fair where we put a sum of money into our pocket and spend it on everything in sight as long as it lasts. That is to say we are merely to spend it for pleasure, without any expectation of ever getting anything back. They go so far as to say that any other course would be the ruin of philately, and that philately is is being injured today by the many who insist on looking upon the commercial side. The editor of the *Metropolitan* says that indications are that those interested in stamps as a matter of speculation are in the majority by several thousand.

I hold just the opposite view, I can de-

rive just as much pleasure in making my collection by studying to buy only such stamps as will either hold their own or enhance in value, as I could to buy everything that comes along not already in my collection, or to spend all my money on some special section to the exclusion of parts of other sections that may some day repay many times their cost. There is a satisfaction to me in knowing that sometime should I desire or be obliged to part with my collection, that I realize as much and perhaps more than the original cost to me.

I have noticed that when the large collections have been broken up in recent years, the catalogues have specially commended some particular feature of the collection such as "superb condition" "varieties," etc., making the point that the collector had been fortunate in collecting largely the stamps that had advanced in price most rapidly. One cataloguer states that it is very gratifying to his patron that many stamps that cost him 25c to $1.00 will sell at from $10.00 to $50.00. "For instance he paid 75c for his $2.00 State and many similar prices." The other side is illustrated by Mr. J. W. Scott in speak- of Mr. J. J. Casey and collectors of that day. He says: "In their pursuit of a collection they spent their pocket money, not their capital, therefore the saleable value of there album was a subject seldom thought of and more rarely discussed." The fallacy of the latter view may be seen in the sale of Mr. Casey's magnificent library, where many of the volumes sold for less than the actual cost of binding. Had Mr. Casey looked at the commercial side in making this library it might have been made to net a handsome profit.

I wish to call interested collector's attention to just a few catalogue comparisons, hundreds of such may readily be found. In the 1895 catalogue the 50c Argentine, 1888 issue was quoted 25c; in the 1900 catalogue at 15c; the 1890 50c in 1895 at 20c, in 1900 at 8c. The 1 and 2 gulden stamps of Austria catalogued in 1895 at 12c and 30c, in 1900 at 5c and 18c. The 50c 1891 8c in 1895 and 3c 1900.

A little inquiry on the part of collectors would have disclosed just this sort of thing. A stamp that is liable to be in use for a number of years is liable to be cheap especially in countries where much mail matter is sent. The current catalogue and one or two representative stamp papers are necessary to economy in collecting.

JOHN MARDON Jr., BOSTON, MASS.

Philately, music and photography are Mr. Mardon's three hobbies. He has been a collector ever since he knew what a stamp was. Eight years ago he sold a collection which would be worth considerable today. His present collection numbers

3800.

Mr. Mardon is one of the few collectors who collect for the pleasure there is in it. He has given many stamps to beginners and says he never regretted it when he saw the interest taken in it by the boys.

He is a member of the D. P. A., the Press Mandolin and Guitar Club, and is Treasurer of the popular Press Cycling Club, of Boston.

He believes in teaching philately in the public schools as an aid to education.

Reminiscences.

BY J. H. RIDDELL.

It is now quite a long time since I first began to follow the hobby which we all like, namely, that of stamp collecting, and my thoughts often wander back to those early days of boyhood and my delight over each new specimen which I procured. It was a cousin from the old country who first gave me a start on this pleasant pursuit, and I always feel a debt of gratitude towards her, for I have ever found much pleasure in following up this interesting hobby, and although I do not have the time to give to it that I once had, still I think I will always enjoy it. I have obtained from philately much information and I consider it a great help in the study of geography and history, which any boy or girl cannot but find if they follow it up with care.

For a number of years I did not make very rapid progress, but about ten or eleven years ago I began in earnest to try and build up my collection. There were at that time, a number of boys in our town whom I knew to be beginners and the idea occurred to me that we might have a little club of our own, and that much pleasure might be got by forming a stamp society. I broached the scheme to several of the boys who were quite taken with it and the result was the formation of a genuine philtelic society.

My object in writing this article is especially for the younger members of our society, as I think in many places where there are a number of young collectors, mutual help might be given and the cause generally strengthened.

Well we succeeded in starting our little society with about half a dozen members, but it was not long before the the number doubled as the idea began to spread.

Our society consisted of three officers, a President, Vice Pres. and Secy-Treas., the latter office being assigned to myself. We held our meetings monthly at the homes of the different members in the evening. A fee of 5 cents was charged when joining. I always arranged to have a good assortment of sheets ready for each meeting most of which were procured from two Belleville dealers.

There are few boys but what have spending money, and the boys of our club were not of that few for they always tried to have a few cents to invest at each meeting. Then in addition we had some home [illegible] upon which went the duplicates which the boys would have and for which they got credit at catalogue price. They also paid catalogue price for what they took from the sheets. Then the stamps of common varieties Canada I managed to dispose of ,they being allowed full value. In this way we managed quite successfully and had always a small fund on hand. Finding that we had a little surplus after

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50	"	" "	"	18c
30	"	Britsh Colonies "	"	5c
50	"	" "	"	14c
100	"	" "	"	35c

			Catalogue.	My price
7	var.	Canada 1869-93	11c	3c
3	"	" Jubilee	9c	3c
6	"	" mapl leaf	12c	3c
7	"	" numerals	9c	2c
4	"	" sur & map	9c	3c
28	"	"	52c	14c
20	"	Australia	20c	7c
10	"	Argentine	12c	6c
40	"	Austria	47c	14c
15	"	Bolivia	48c	15c
17	"	Bavaria	29c	9c
6		Costa Rica	15c	6c

			Catalogue.	My price
14	var.	Ceylon	55c	24c
8	"	Egypt	17c	5c
10	"	Ecuador	24c	9c
50	"	France	$1.11	37c
20	"	Fr. Colonies	71c	27c
14	"	Finland	21c	10c
10	"	Thurn & Taxis	51c	17c
27	"	Germany	42c	12c
15	"	Hungary	33c	15c
8	"	Honduras 1896	42c	19c
20	"	Greece	42c	15c
60	"	Italy	$1.13	47c
22	"	India	66c	24c
20	"	Japan	33c	14c
9	"	North Borneo	31c	12c
20	"	Norway	27c	13c
25	"	Netherland	33c	13c
25	"	Porto Rico	$1.04	35c
10	"	Peru (new)	42c	14c
15	"	Philippine	45c	18c
25	"	Roumania	45c	17c
22	"	Switzerland	49c	20c
35	"	Sweden	48c	20c
10	"	Servia	23c	8c
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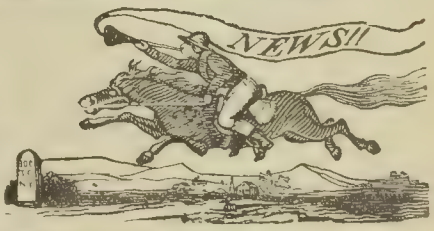

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a time we decided that when a member had been with us six months, he would receive some special stamps as a sort of premium. My Canada 17c was thus obtained. Our little club lasted for upwards of a year during which time I think we all received much help and profit. I wonder how many are still following up this hobby.

One noble lad has passed over to the great beyond; another is a soldier in the army of Uncle Sam away in the far off Philippines (perhaps finding some rare stamps occasionally). One is a servant of the church striving to lead men in the rectitude. Others are following their various pursuits in this and other lands, and no doubt they sometimes think of our pleasant gatherings of the vanishing past.

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President's Message

To Members
Dominion Philatelic Association

Re Change in Constitution. In accordance with the desires of a large number of the members of the association, as expressed in a petition, asking for a change in the constitution, respecting the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the association, you are requested to fill in your vote on the paper sent for that purpose and to return the same to the undersigned with as little delay as possible.

Re committee to receive suggestions as to changes in the constitution:

At the last annual convention of the association it was decided to appoint a committee of three to receive suggestions as to changes in the constitution. Members desiring to suggest proposed changes are requested to address themselves to any of the undermentioned members, who are herewith appointed for that purpose.

W. A. Starnaman, F. I. Weaver, Geo. W. Starnaman.

Wishing all members the compliments of the season and continued prosperity for the D. P. A.

Yours very truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE,
President D. P. A.

Count. Detector's Report.

Mr. President
and Fellow Members of the D. P. A.

I beg, herewith, to remind the members that they are now and always were at liberty to use my services as official Counterfeit Detector of the association. But there are seemingly very few members who avail themselves of this benefit. Since my election to office, only one member has requested my opinion on some doubtful

stamps.

Now I did not assume this office for the sake of having my name and address appear on the Honor Roll.

I want to assist you. Have you any stamps in your collection that you are doubtful as to their genuineness? Have you bogus surcharges? Have you any cancelled to order stuff? In short have you any diseased stamps of any kind, send them along; your entire collection if you like and I shall be glad to pass expert opinion and mark each stamp. A nominal fee of 2c each, is requested to cover cost of stationery and return postage etc.

Remember I don't want to make any money through you.

Wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year, and success to the D. P. A.

Faithfully Yours,

CHAS. BAILEY,

Counterfeit Detector.

Final Report of Ex-Exch. Superintendent

Fellow Members:—

The Trustees having pronounced the Holmes' account uncollectable I have paid off the clalms against the Dept., using $16.42 from the general fund of the society and $7.51 from the Insurance fund.

The items and amounts are follows:

H. S. Vanderburgh, Lithgow, N. Y.	$2.88
F. P. Clappison, Hamilton, Ont.	14.63
F. B. Filsinger, Waterloo, Ont.	2.93
A. A. Van Wie, Schenectady, N. Y.	.09
B. L. Voorhees, Blue Island, Ill.	3.40
Total	$23.93

There is due me for postage expended to date 42c.

Fraternally

ERWIN L. SHOVE.

Report of Sales Supt.

Fellow Members:—

The majority of you are benefitting very much from the sales department. I have only about forty names on my list which is a very poor showing out of a large society like ours.

Members should consider that they can buy stamps as cheap and in most cases cheaper than from dealers.

Read rules in the Handbook carefully, and sellers kindly remember that stamps will not be placed on sale if not in the regulation books of the department.

W. RUSSELL BROWN, Supt.

Auction Mgrs Report.

Dear Brothers;

"Season's Greetings." Every one whether a member or not, collector or dealer, should take a look at this month's sale on page 81.

R. S. MASON.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

558. G. S. Dickenson, Worcester, Mass.
559. C. S. Dube, Riviere du Loup Sta, Que.
560. Thos. L. Hosmer, Des Moines Iowa.
561. W. R. Waldron, Woburn, Mass.
562. A. Harold Brown, Toronto, Ont.
563. W. D. Simpson, Anderson, S. C.
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566. Thos. D. Manson, Ingersoll, Ont.
567. Abraham Drolet Jr., Quebec, Que.
568. Geo. Guevara, Valparaiso, Chili.
569. Jno. H. Jost, Halifax, N. S.
570. S. J. McGaughy, Pembroke, Ont.
571. Edgar Fortier, Quebec, Que.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

D. C. Evans, 7739 N 25th St., Philadelphia, Pa. Age 16. Refs Henry A. Chapman, Geo. W. Starnaman.

Fred Billings, 101 N Second Ave., Marshalltown, Iowa. Stamp dealer. Geo. W. Starnaman, C. A. Billings.

Elmer Smith, Colusa, Ill. Age 30, stamp dealer. Joe. S. Copper, Roy Smith.

Henry Mueller, 1350 1st Ave., New York City. 35, clerk. Starnaman Bros. Carton May.

R. L. Hillery, 115 E 1st Ave., Columbus, Ohio. 16, student. B. M. Billingsley, L. R. Dogget,

F. W. Seavey, 49 Marianna St., Lynn, Mass. 18, stenographer. A. R. Magill, Percival Parrish.

J. Edmund Renaud, Joliette, Que. 60. gentleman. J. H. Lavalle, G. A. Carter.

Romolus Corti, 764 So. 8th St., Philadelphia, Penn. 18, barber. Starnaman Bros. Dr. A. Palonnes.

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John Culbertson, Box 347, Deseronto, Ont. 15, drug clerk. Harold W. Woodall, Wm. G. Egar,

John W. Boud, 2019 Master St., Philadelphia, Pa. 17, clerk. Henry A. Chapman, Cecil Rawson.

Fred Beatty, Box 7, Pembroke, Ont. 16, student. Gordon L. Cockburn, Henry G. Thorpe.

Leon des Rivierres, 33 Ave St. Genevieve, Cap. Que. 13, student. Arthur Pouliot, E. des Rivierres.

Daniel C. Crawford, 822 Brush St., Oakland, Calif. 19, band sawyer. R. F. Wrigley, G. E. Davenport.

Geo. F. Dold, 2607, 39th St., Chicago, Ill. 18, printer. Herbert Gile, W. Russell Brown.

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F. H. Wade, Fremantle, West Australia, 18, clerk. Thos. S. Futcher, J. W. Hugall

Norman R. W. Bassett, Oshawa, Ont. 20, Jeweler's apprentice. Starnaman Bros Feld Bros.

The above will be admitted to membership Feb. 15th providing no objection filed with the Secy before that date.

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REINSTATED.

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RESIGNATIONS.

473. Albert S. Paulsen, Catskill, N. Y.

343. Robert S. Day, Victoria, B. C.

315. Ed. C. Dowse, Sherborn, Mass.

377. H. Gough, Nanaimo, B. C.

In this number it will be seen that there is a change desired in the constitution, and it is specially requested that all members send their votes, as the question is relative to the future success of our association. Send your ballots to Ernest F. Wurtele,

Quebec, Que. Send ballots immediately, but they must reach Quebec not later than March 10th.

I extend my wishes for a happy New Year to all the members and thank those who extended me their best wishes.

PAY YOUR 1901 DUES

If you have not yet paid your dues for this year send 25c to the Secretary-Treasurer at once and your dues will then be paid until Jan. 1st 1902. It is quite likely that a supplement to the handbook will be issued in April, and Messrs Starnaman Bros. will issue another handbook if the members promise support by advertising.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	396
Paid up since	14
Reinstated	1
Resigned	4
Total paid up	407

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$31.16
Received for dues, etc.	10.82
	41.98
Paid Official Organ	5.16
" postage	1.23
Stationery for Exchange Supt.	.75
150 official handbooks	3.00
Loaned Insurance Fund of D. P. A. Exchange Department	16.42
Balance on hand	15.43
	41.98

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GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

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Two Cent Postage.

The following is a list of the countries of the British Empire between which a postage rate on letters of one penny or two cents, per half ounce is in force.

Aden, Ascension, Bahama Islands, Barbados, Bermuda, British Central Afeica, British East Africa, British Guiana, British Honduras, British India, British North Borneo Co's Territory (including Colony of Labuan), Canada, Cape Colony, Ceylon, Cyprus, Falkland Islands, Fiji, Gambia, Gibraltar, Gold Coast Colony, Hong Kong, Jamaica, Johore, Lagos, Leeward Islands, Malay States, Malta, Mauritius, Natal, Newfoundland, Niger Coast Protectorate, Niger Co's Territories, Orange River Colony, Sarawak, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Straits Settlements, St. Helena, Tobago, Transvaal, Trinidad, Turks Islands, United Kingdom, Uganda. Windward Islands, Zanzibar, New Zealand.

A Century of Philately.

BY GEORGE W. STARNAMAN.

"One Hundred Years Ago" is at present one of the greatest and most used phrase taken as the subject of the leading article in the majority of our magazines and newspapers, reviewing the past; the history of the past; the wonderful, nay marvellous achievements of the people and the remarkable advancement of the world, scientifically and otherwise.

If anybody would have mentioned postage stamps at the beginning of the 19th century, people would have looked upon such a person in a bewildered manner not knowing the meaning of either, and perhaps caring less.

When the first regular issue of postage

stamps was agreed upon and printed, they were intended for use only to prepay postage on letters, parcels, etc. But as the world progressed, men of high situation began to see that stamps could be used for purposes other than for postage exclvsively, and today in many instanees, the issues are only intended as a scheme of speculation on the part of the originators.

It is hard to say whether the present century will be so propitious for new issues of stamps, as the one just passed. Now, to mention a machine which will do away with postage stamps, is met with a shrug of the shoulders and a significant shake of the head, and some practical men refuse to recognize it, but if the present machine is a failure, it is possible that in the brains of one of the young men in this great world, there is an unknown, unrevealed—even to the young man—scheme whereby postage stamps will be discarded. Whether such an event would, or whether it would not stimulate more people to collect, remains to be seen. It is quite easily seen that should there be anything invented which would take the place of postage stamps there would immediately be a tremendous rush for stamps; by non-collectors to keep as remembrances of by-gone days; by dealers and speculative parties for expected gain; by real collectors as philatelic treasures.

Philatelic magazines in the very early days of philately were unknown, but as time passed and more countries began issuing stamps, the more clear-headed people of that period saw something in them both interesting and instructing, and that they were not mistaken is plainly in evidence. It is quite possible that very few persons saved stamps in anticipation of their future value. This is distinctly proven by the fact that the stamps were laid by, only to be discovered by too inquisitive children. But to return to the first notable aid to the future developemen of our hobby—the magazine. As soon as it was seen that there were many people collecting, or at that time merely saving, stamps, some enterprising person brought out a philatelic magazine which should herald the pleasures and aims of philately far and near.

It is a disputed question as to whether the stamp journals of the earlier days were of more interest and of more value to the philatelist than those of today. It is indeed true that some of them were a great deal more instructing, for those days one could write intelligently on the issues of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and B. N. A and not be confronted in twenty different places with the fact that the substance of his article appeared in such a paper five or ten years ago. For my own part I believe it would be an excellent plan to reprint articles from some of the older magazines. The younger class of collectors, not necessarily boys, but those rang-in age from eighteen to thirty years, have not all had the opportunity of procuring the older magazines, and if they, by good fortune, procured some they would barely have time to read them if they took ten or twelve stamp papers, not mentioning the number of the great daily papers and monthly magazines. If the articles were in the papers of today they would be read with interest, but, as was hinted at before, some persons claim that it would be mere folly to reprint such articles. Perhaps it would, but I am inclined to think that even these wiser heads would find some in-

teresting little points in the articles which they failed to notice in their earlier philatelic days.

No one knows what there is in store for philatelists of the new century. It is impossible to conceive. If stamps are to be superceded by some unknown power, they will be more valuable; if they are not there are sure to be many new issues. And if the population and the financial condition of the world increase as they have in the past few years, philately will be a grand pursuit. If seventy-five million people use many billions of stamps, can you imagine what three hundred millions use.

When philately began to be known throughout the world, many people were under the impression that it was merely the idle fancies of young children, but when it was noised about in the newspapers, that certain firms employed 18 to 32 hands in their stamp business and paid fabulous prices for stamp collections, and apparently greater prices for single stamps the people as a whole were interested, and they were not slow to see that there was more in philately than they really thought.

Those who studied it soon found out that to gain knowledge of stamps required months of careful study, and was often the cause of lowering the pile laid by for future days.

Office Building Mail Service.

The large amount of mail matter which arrives at the New York post office every day addressed to the tall business blocks in Broadway and Park Row has caused the creation of what the postmen call "sky-scraper" mail routes. They are considered quite a "cinch" for the winter, and the men who have been assigned to them are congratulating themselves that their work will be indoors. As many as three carriers have been assigned to some of the larger buildings, where the population is greater than that of many small towns and the mail matter received much greater in proportion. The Empire Building and the American Tract Society Building have at least three thousand occupants each, and have forces of mail carriers larger than for towns of that population. The daily inhabitants of the Equitable Building number three thousand one hundred souls, and three carriers working eight hours a day are required to handle the mail, which reaches the enormous average of eighteen thousand pieces a day. The outgoing mail is larger, if anything, than the incoming mail. Every forty-five minutes throughout the day mail wagons run over from the post office and take up seventy-five pounds of mail matter addressed to every part of the world.

Foreign Mail Service.

Capt. N. M. Brooks, Superintendent of Foreign mails, gives many interesting facts in his annual report. To begin with, the people of the United States expended $4, 318, 947 for postage on foreign mail matter It would seem that this branch of the service pays the department well as the aggregate cost of handling the foreign mail during the fiscal year just ended was only $2,158,033.

The report further embraces some interesting statistics relative to the mail service of various foreign nations. It shows that the United States has the largest number of postoffices and employees while the Congo has the fewest. Switzerland has

the largest number of postoffices in proportion to area, there being an office every four miles. In proportion to population South Australia leads, with one to every 856, and Congo last, with one to every two million. The United States, with service on 174,679 miles of railroad, ranks first in the length of mail routes, Siam being last. Hungary ranks first in parcels received and Germany in parcels dispatched. Great Britain has the greatest surplus of postal earnings, and the United States the greatest deficiency.

New Zealand in 27 Days

Mails from Auckland, New Zealand, will shortly be delivered in London in twenty-seven days, and from Sydney, New South Wales, in thirty to thirty-one days—a reduction upon the present timing of five days. This result is made possible by the enterprise of the Oceanic Steamship Company, the first to take advantage of the United States subsidy for fast mail steamers. On November 1 three sister ships 425 feet long, 8,000 horse-power and 6,000 tons burden, built by Cramps, of Philadelphia, will be put into commission between San Francisco and Sydney, touching at Honolulu, Samoa and Auckland. The vessels can be turned into armored cruisers at thirty-six hours' notice.

Registration Stamps

The question is sometimes asked, "What is the need of a 7c stamp in Canada?" The principal use would be for registration. While there are no firms in Canada which send out as many registered parcels as the one in the following clipping from *Printers' Ink*, still there those who register enough parcels to find it considerable trouble to lick two stamps instead of one.

This clipping shows the extent of the registration business of one firm in England

J. G. Graves, a large advertiser in the jewelry mail order business at Sheffield, has been waging a battle royal with the Sheffield postoffice. Mr. Graves advertises in all parts of the kingdom, and the orders for his goods come in by letter and the goods are dispatched in return either by registered letter packet post or else by registered parcel post. This distinction is all important in connection with the present incident. Registered letter packets weighing the maximum of 10 oz. cost 2½d., which, added to the registration fee of 2d., amounts to 4½d per packet. The minimum cost of a registered parcel is 5d., i. e., 3d postage and 2d registration. Mr. Graves has daily occasion to send a large number of each. In the case of the registered parcels the postal authorities grant to firms carrying on such enormous businesses as Mr. Graves', and for their own convenience the right to have their parcels fetched by parcel postmen, but no such arrangement has been made for fetching the registered letter packets, however numerous they may be. In order to make the work of the postal authorities as light as possible, Mr. Graves has been in the habit of keeping books at his establishment similar to those used by the postal authorieties at the registration counter for parcels and letter packets In these the various packets have been duly entered up and made ready for being dealt with at once by the sorting clerk after being run over and checked when they arrived at the postoffice, thus saving a large amount of clerical labor at the postoffice. In order, however, to take these packages to the office, Mr Graves has

had to employ a man who was so fully employed that it was not possible for him to do anything else. Mr. Graves felt—and was undoubtedly justified in so doing—that as he was paying clerical postal labor in his own office in writing out and and filling up receipt forms at his premises and thus saving the cost and labor at the postoffice, the least the authorities could do was to allow their parcel postmen to take his registered letter packets as well as parcels. For the last three years Mr. Graves has persistently made a claim to have his registered letter packets fetched by postmen, but without result, and he eventually communicated his intention of no longer assisting the authorities. He would claim the privilege of being dealt with as a private individual, and would flood the office with letter packets, which would have to be registered singly by the clerks in charge. Some idea of what the threat meant can be gathered from the fact that during the months of September and October the total number of letters, parcels and packets dispatched through the post was not less than 500,000. Between 4.30 p. m. and 5 p. m., a few days since, a cab was dispatched containing three gentlemen with something like fifty letter packets to be duly registered. When the clerk in charge at the counter had nicely commenced to deal with this little dose other employees walked in, some with one packet, others with more than one, all to be registered, until over a hundred men awaited attention in order to register some 200 letter packets.

The next day Mr. Graves went one better. He chartered a large number of cabs, posted upon which were red and white bills bearing legends reading: "Down with red tape," "Why should Sheffield wait?" "Reasonable duties for Sheffield postmen," "Grant proper facilities for Sheffield trade." In addition, every vehicle bore a conspicuous notice reading: "J. G. Graves' Postal Packet Department." As the procession passed through the street much interest was occasioned.

Arrived at the postoffice, the staff—which had been largely augmented—was kept busily at work for nearly an hour, and during that time no registration was possible to private individuals.

The Lord Mayor has now called a truce, readily assented to by Mr. Graves.

LEON V. CASS, McGRAW, N. Y.

Was born July 5, 1881 and began collecting at the age of 13. At present he is

interested in relics and curios. He has done considerable writing for the philatelic press, some of his articles have appeared in the ADVOCATE.

During 1899-1900, Mr. Cass published the *Bi-Monthly Collector* and is now publishing the *Yankee Collector*. He is a member of the C. P. S., S. of P. and S. D. P. A. He has no stamp collection at present but is devoting his time to dealing.

EDITORIALS.

A Few Last Thoughts.

The *Philatelic Record* is the name of Mr. A. R. Magill's new paper. The first number is above the average of newcomers. If a better quality of paper was used it would improve it. Mr. Magill announced in his ad in November ADVOCATE that we would print his paper but on account of being rushed with this number we were unable to do so.

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The Blackhawk Co., Philatelic League was organized at Waterloo, Iowa, on Dec. 13th. J. A. Cook, President; G. Ellis, Vice Pres.; Ralph Bartoo, Secy-Treas.

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No one is to old too collect stamps or join a society. The age of an applicant to the S. of P. is given as 99 years.

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Parties having dealings with H. C. Kendall, Emmettsburg, Iowa, should see that they get cash in advance.

We frequently receive complaints from subscribers claiming that they have not received their ADVOCATE for a couple of months. These letters are usually written under a new address and we have never been notified of the change. The postal laws provide that second class matter shall not be forwarded or returned to the office of publication so the paper remains at the old address to be treated as dead matter. Always notify us promptly of change of address or if your paper is not addressed properly. Give both old and new address when writing.

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If you get two copies of this issue please hand one to a friend

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Publishers thinking of discontinuing their papers should get our terms for filling unexpired subscriptions. Let us know how many subscribers you have, how long they have to run, etc and we will make you an offer. All correspondence strictly confidential.

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We have a few copies left of this issue which we will send postpaid for 10 cents each or 3 for 25c.

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We regret very much that we are a little late in appearing but the large amount of extra work made it impossible to appear as early in the month as usual. We expected to mail the issue on the 15th of January, but owing to a breakdown of our engine we were compelled to run our presses by foot power which put us back considerably. We trust the delay will be overlooked when you receive this issue as it is the largest monthly stamp paper issued in the past six

years, and (with one exception) the largest ever issued in America and probably in the world.

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We want agents in every town and city to secure subscriptions. We will send five yearly subscriptions to five different addresses, with premium to each for $1.00. Or you can have all the premiums sent to one address if you wish.

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We have received several requests from persons wishing us to write to collectors to whom they have sent stamps but have received no reply. We cannot pay any attention to these letters in future unless stamps are enclosed for postage. We do not make a business of collecting accounts but if we make a collection we charge 10% for our trouble. We do not collect for D. P. A. members. They should write to the Attorney.

On Dec. 29th the 20c Canada numeral was placed on sale. The color is olive-green.

Death of Queen Victoria.

Queen Victoria is dead and King Edward VII reigns. At 6.30 o'clock p. m. Jany 22 there passed away at Osborne the Gracious Sovereign once happily described as the queenliest of women and the most womanly of Queens. In Europe she was honored as the wisest and most statesmanlike of Sovereigns, to the United States she was a friend in its darkest hour of the civil war, and throughout her worldwide empire none names her but to praise. Like wildfire the news spread throughout the British Empire church bells began to toll and flags floated at half mast. Everything betokened the nation's sorrow. Our U. S. Correspondent writes that the flags at Washington, D. C. are at half mast.

Queen Victoria lived longer and reigned longer than any other British Sovereign.

This sad occurrence will make great changes in philately. The current stamps of nearly every British Colony bear the Queen's portrait. It is probable that new stamps will be issued shortly by all these colonies bearing the portrait of King Edward VII.

Stamps and Coinage.

A special from Ottawa says:

It is thought probable that a new issue will be made of stamps bearing the lineage of King Edward. There is no precedent, however, to guide the Canadian authorities in a matter of this kind. The late Queen succeeded to the throne in 1837, but it was not until 1840 that the first postage stamp was adopted. Prior to the latter date, and, indeed, until a much later period, a certain fixed sum was paid for the carriage of a letter, and the amount was stamped by the postmaster on the envelopes. The likelihood is that a new issue of stamps will be made almost immediately, but that they will not come into general use until the bulk of the stamps at present in stock have been disposed of. A new coinage issue for Canada may also be required, but it is not yet possible to say what action will be taken in this regard, as the point has not yet been considered by the authorities.

Dealers are requested to note that we only acknoweldge price lists sent by dealers who advertise in the ADVOCATE.

Mention ADVOCATE when answering ads.

Among the Magazines.

The YOUTH'S COMPANION is now in its sevent-fifth year of continuous publication. The constant aim of the COMPANION is to carry into the home reading that shall be helpful as well as entertaining—reading that shall contribute to the pure happiness of all the family. There will not be an issue from now until 1902 that will not be crowded with good stories and articles of rare interest and value. Diplomatists, Explorers, Sailors, Trappers, Indian Fighters, Story-Writers and Self-Made Men and Women in Many Vocations besides the most popular writers of fiction, will write for the COMPANION.

Illustrated announcement of the volume for 1901 will be sent free to any address, with sample copies of the paper. Youth's Companion, Boston, Mass.

The PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW, published by the Poole Publishing Company, Toronto, Can., contains a large amount of interesting matter in its issue of November 29th recently received. On the front page of the cover is an excellent picture of the Rev. D. C. Hossack, M. A., L. L. B., editor. There is also an illustrated article on the work of Rev. Wm. Meikle, who has been stated pastor of Cooke's Church, Toronto, during the vacancy; also on Rev. A. B. Winchester, minister-elect of Knox Church, Toronto; on Rev. J. A. MacLeod, late principal of the Regina Industrial School. The number contains an excellent reproduction of the central figures of those about the Moderator's desk at the Historical Moment when the Covenant of Union was signed uniting the two Scottish churches. The news of the churches is exceptionally well arranged.

A Chance For Canadian Talent

With a view to encourage the development of a literary spirit in Canada, The *Ladies' Magazine*, Toronto, is offering cash prizes for the best stories by Canadian writers. The competition is well planned, and further particulars are given in the January number of the Magazine. A photagraphic competition is also announced, and cash prizes offered. The December number appeared in a handsomely tinted cover and its contents were of real interest to family readers, admirably printed and profusely illustrated. Ten cents a copy. The Hugh C. MacLean Company, Toronto, Can.

SHELDON'S NEW BOOK.

A new book by Charles M. Sheldon, the famous author of "In His Steps," never fails to excite the interest of thousands of readers. "Born to Serve" is the title of the latest book by Mr. Sheldon, and the advanced sheets indicate a very strong book indeed, one of thrilling interest to the thoughtful reader, one in which with a master's hand many of the cankers of social life, of domestic unhappiness, of the broader woman problem, of social reform at the vitals of society—are laid bare, with cultured delicacy, but none the less with

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graphic, unflinchimg truth. The Canadian rights have been secured by The Poole, Publishing Company, Toronto, but as the story will not appear in book form for some time the publishers will run it as a serial in the Presbyterian Review, beginning with the issue of the 3rd inst., thus enabling the readers of that paper to have this most interesting work in advance.

Success.

If you want to know how to make the most of your opportunities, how to make stepping-stones of obstacles, how best to utilize your energy and ambition, how to choose an occupation, how to find your place in life and how to keep it, in short how to succeed, no matter what your age, sex, occupation or position in life may be, the best magazine in the world for you to read and re-read is Success. Each issue averages 60 pages (10 × 14). Sample Copy 10c. McGraw-Marden Co., 142 Washington Sq., N. Y. City.

Ladies' Home Journal.

Theodosia Burr's remarkable life story is capitally told by an admiring writer in the February Ladies' Home Journal. Such extremes of joy and sorrow as were the lot of "The Beautiful Daughter of Aaron Burr" come to few women. The story of the famous hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," and a close view of its brilliant author, are united in "A Woman to Whom Fame Came After Death." How we get and keep the correct time is explained in "The Clock by Which We Set All Our Watches" and "The Buffaloes of Goodnight Ranch," is a record of the only herd of North American bison owned by a woman. Lovers of "Cranford"—and they are legion—will be delighted with the dramatic version in the February Journal. Through Edward Bok representative men and women journalists emphatically settle the oft-disputed question, "Is the Newspaper Office the Place for a Girl?" There seems to be but one opinion among those who should know most on the subject. "The Problem of The Boy," "Why One Man Succeeds and His Brother Fails," and "The Trying Time Between Mother and Daughter," are all thoughtful articles. Architecture, the fashions, culinary matters, and themes interesting to women are amply treated. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year ten cents a copy.

Errors and Corrections.

In a large issue like this it is almost impossible to keep out a few errors.

Please note the following:

In Chas. Farr's ad page 38, sale closes **Feby 25th** instead of Feby 3rd.

Wherever 40% commission is stated read **50%** in A. A. Van Wies' ad, pages 13 to 16

Since the article on page 29 was in print information has been received which calls for the following change, second column, first paragraph, strike off all of paragraph after word "gum" and substitute "The number of sets sold was 26,987: the others have been turned into the Department at Washington, and while not yet destroyed, they will probably be."

Wm. F. J. Grimmond's D. P. A. application page 67, should be London, Ont.

First word in second column on page 50, for incensed read incited.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

THERE ARE 76,688 postoffices in the United States,

THE POSTMASTER General, in his annual report, recommends that Congress raise the limit of indemnity for a loss in the registered mail from $10 to $200. It is curious that while the honesty of postal employes is the subject of encomiums from all connected with the service, yet a fee of 8 cents is charged on a maximum risk of $10 extending over an average of 3 days. This insurance reduced to an annual rate would be a premium of over $8 on a $10 policy!! Canadian rates are high enough, and it is to be hoped that Congress will make a 5 cent rate for us.

WHAT IS there to prevent the owner of a private proprietary die, if the 1898 revenue tax is taken off, from continuing to order his stamps for sale to collectors?

WILL SOME one rise and explain what the D. P. A. has done to Messrs Brodstone and Muirhead, to call forth the philippics now appearing from these gentlemen?

THE BILL to revise and codify the laws relating to the Postoffice and Postal Service, introduced by Mr. Loud on January 9, is the outcome of the work of a com-committee of postal experts, and is a very complete document. The sections relating to second class matter are framed with a view of preventing that abuse of pound rate privileges which causes the yearly deficit of the postal service and which the Postmaster General in his annual reports, and Mr. Loud in former Congresses has endeavored to secure legislation to prevent.

IF THE "collector" who is taking as his line the gathering together of government "franked" or "penalty" envelopes were only aware of the way in which "varieties" in endless array, of this stationery are created, he would undoubtedly conclude that the field was too large to be worth covering. I will discuss the question from the point of view of the person who collects his stationery entire, and pays attention to the same differences in style that would constitute a variety in a regular postage stamp.

The official stationery of the United States consists of adhesives, envelopes, cards and wrappers. The statutes which authorize its use are extremely broad, not defining the style or language of the printing, but merely requiring that the name of the office or department, or the individual Congressman's name, shall appear together with a statement of the penalty for its misuse. Under this the phrases used to constitute this information are almost limitless. The most common form of this stationery is the envelope; and most of the envelopes are supplied by contract, in 59 standard sizes, the printing on each varies according to the office for which they are required, so here at once are a number of varieties 59 different sizes (not counting knife variations) lettered for about 35 offices and departments and for each Member of Congress (and this does not include the many cases where a Bureau or a department uses its own frank.)

The adhesive labels (for putting on large packages) the envelopes not of standard sizes, the cards and the wrappers, are printed at the Government Printing Office and the number of varieties is only limited by the number of fonts of type in use in that office. And as rubber stamp "franks" are used in many offices, a further number

of these varieties would come in. And each Presidential postoffice has a separate frank.

A complete collection of entires of U. S. government stationery would comprise over 100,000 varieties. But a complete collection could never be gotten, as each time a new supply is ordered, or a new font of type is secured, a new variety results.

These are only collected from the utter ignorance on the part of the collector as to the methods by which they are made, and although the collector of government stationery for official use is referred to rather frequently in philatelic journals, I have yet to see a specific account of any such collection which commends this alleged branch of philately.

WHILE THE ordinary postage stamp costs the government but five cents a thousand to print, the Pan American series will cost 20 cents per thousand.

DURING THE year ended June 30, 1900, New York expended $2.40 per capita in the use of the mails, while South Carolina, at the other end of the list expended but 37 cents per capita.

The Postal Service.

Of all the links that serve to bind the Empire together, the one that is the strongest, and yet is given the least thought, is the postal service. The points which mark the developement of the postal service are interesting. With dates they are:

1838—Money Order Department established.

1840—Inland penny postage.

1848—Book post instituted.

1861—Post-office Savings Banks created

1863—Inland pattern post established.

1870—Telegraph transferred to the State

1870—Postcards introduced.

1877—Half ounce limit raised to one ounce.

1880—Postal orders introduced.

1880—Sixpenny telegrams introduced.

1880—Telephoning decided to be a postal monopoly.

1883—Parcel post established.

Since that time other improvements have been acheived, such as postcards to the colonies, parcel post to France, reduction of postage to the Colonies to 1d., reduction of transcontinental subsidies from £100,000 to about £37,500 a year, open envelopes for book post, telegraphic money orders, transmission of private postcards, concession of free re-direction, reduction of of cable rates to India and Australia, State purchase of cables to the continent, establishment of express post.

A Letter

FROM THE D. P. A. SECY-TREAS.

Fellow Members:

In this issue of the ADVOCATE will be found a ballot on which you are to mark your decision whether the offices of Secretary and Treasurer shall be divided or be one office.

At last convention, in order to create an office for a candidate supposed to be defeated the office was divided. Themain reason given for the change was that it was too much work for one person to hold both offices. As I have held both offices for nearly three years, I am qualified to speak from experience. During that time I have devoted considerable time and work to the society. If the offices are separated it will make me so

much extra work that even if the members desired it I could not accept the office of Secretary for another term.

In addition to making more work (making extra reports, etc.) it would mean extra expense to the society. The receipts each month run from $3.00 to $20.00 or more. This would have to be remitted to the Treasurer at a cost of from 4c to 8c each month or say 75c for 12 months for express orders or registration. The principal expenditures are for official organ and Secy's postage, this would mean the return of the money with 6c a month for orders or 72c a year. A large proportion of the money is in stamps so that letters would cost double postage or 4c each way, or 8c a month for postage.

These three amounts alone mean a useless expenditure of nearly $2.50 of the society's funds which could be used to better advantage, and there would be other extra expenses. Then there is the risk of loss in the mails. When I took charge of the money there was about $10.00 on hand; by careful management, I have increased the amount to over $31.00, although the official organ's fee was raised to 15c per year. The necessity of having money on hand is seen by the recent Holmes's experience when the general fund was called on to loan the Insurance Fund $16 to pay losses.

I earnestly request all members to mark an X after Yes on their ballot and send at once to Capt. Wurtele.

Yours respectfully,

Geo. W. Starnaman.

Secy-Treas.

If number 53 appears on your wrapper, please renew and don't forget a premium.

Errors in Surcharges.

BY JOHN PELTZ.

There are so many collectors interested in collecting all minor varieties that for the benefit of these I herewith give a short list of some errors in surcharge.

The common 1890-91 2c on 50c claret, newspaper stamp of Italy, exists with the surcharge inverted. They are very scarce however, I doubt if there are a dozen collections in the U. S. or Canada which contain them. Scott does not catalogue it, although several of the other values are listed in that condition.

The U. S. surcharges for Cuba, 2c red and 5c blue, adhesives, have been found without the words of value "2c" and "5c de Peso" printed on the stamps, the name only, "Cuba," being on the stamps. They are, no doubt, really genuine errors, caused by an over-sight of the printer.

The 2½c de Peso for Cuba, exists in several distinct shades, vermillion, red, carmine. The last is very scarce. The 2½c value is regarded by many as an error as there was no use for a 2½c stamp, in fact, had not been for several years, as that value issued by Spain for Cuba had no longer been printed for Cuba prior to the American occupation. Scott's last catalogue lists this stamp but it is not designated an error, as it should be, for such it is.

The so-called errors in surcharges, that is the inverted surcharges on the Egypt 1 and 2m surcharged "Soudan" now turn out to be rank forgeries. So collectors should not buy these.

I have the 1892, 1c black on blue of "Diego Saurez," with the lower part of the "U" cut off, making it read, in capitals, "SI IARES," making "U" double "I."

24th AUCTION

OF THE

Dominion Philatelic Association

Any one may bid.

Successful bidders will be notified when it is expected they will remit, upon receipt of which lots will be forwarded.

Sale Closes February 28th.

Rules free. Bid liberally.

Lot No.	* means unused	Reserve
243.	Nova Scotia 2c	$ .18
252.	Scott's 59th Cat.	
254.	80 Imperials	.75
256.	250 purple numerals	.25
259.	125 surcharges	.75
260.	five 6c leaf	.41
262.	20 surcharges	.20
263.	U.S. New Ord'ns, repaired cat $5½	.50
264.	" L & C Playing card cat. $2	.75
265.	" env 6c 1st iss. diag laid ‖ cat $3	.25
266.	Straits 2c, 1883	.20
267.	Jamaica 1sh (off center)	.15
268.	U. S. 7c Treas. (close)	.75
269.	St. Christopher 1p lilac, pen canc	.75
270.	U. S. 15c, 1873	.15
272.	English Gov. Parc. 2, 4, 6, 9d.	.34
275.	U. S. 1869, 1c, 2c	.25
276.	25 *assorted	.20
278.	50 English army official	.15
279.	100 Argentine, 2 var.	
283.	50 assorted Roumania	.15
284.	50 " Sweden	.15
285.	50 " Switzerland	.15
287.	50 " India	.15
290.	Canada new 1c, 2c env.	.03
291.	" 2c on 3c letter card	.07
292.	" 2c on 3c env.	.10
293.	" 1868 ten 3c	.12
296.	Set 6 var Pereak (pretty)	.12
304.	Canada *50c blue gray o. g cat $1	.35
305.	" ½c Jubilee	.18
306.	42 British Guiana and Barbadoes	.35
307.	Newfoundland, 1890 3c, 1898	[illegible]
308.	" 75 mixed	.75
309.	" 1898 set 5 var	.12
310.	200 mixed India, Chili, Egypt etc	.40
311.	Canada 80 5c numerals	.25
312.	" 10 2c register	.08
313.	" 10 5c "	.08
314.	Spain 50 well asst	.10
315.	Portugal 50 well asst.	.15
316.	Canada 10 5c leaves	[illegible]
317.	" 100 third iss. bill asst	.35
318.	" 1000 1c green numeral	.25
319.	" 20 ½c leaf	.30
320.	France 50 well assorted	.07
321.	Barbadoes 20 1p	.10
322.	" set 5 var.	.04
323.	Canada 20 5c leaf	.30
324.	" 25 maps	.15
325.	" 25 surcharges	.25
326.	U. S. 3c Prop.	.06
327.	" $2 mortgage (fine)	.06
328.	" $5 Chart. party (fair)	.07
329.	350 Austria revenues	
330.	750 Spain 2 var	
331.	45 German Revs	
332.	233 stamps in app bk, cat. $8.14 (56.1.)	
333.	Canada 665 numeral 1c	
334.	" 3000 " 2c purple	
335.	" 420 2c red numeral	
336.	" 700 3c red "	
337.	" 30 2c on 3c	
338.	" 265 1c four leaf	
339.	" 130 2c purple four leaf.	

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340. Canada 235 3c four leaf
341. " 160 maps
342 Newfoundland 100 asst.
343. U. S. 400 2c Columbian
344. 20 *Sweden
345. 200 obsolete Argentine
346. Canada 1st issue Bill set 8 var .15
347. " " " " 50 .25
348. " 2nd " " set 8 var .15
349. " " " " 50 .25
350. " 3rd " " set 15 var .15
351. 10 filled approval sheets cat $2.50 .50
352. 500 mixed foreign .10
353. 1000 " " .18
354. 25 Portugal Jubilee .15
355. 50 Wurtemburg .15
356. 100 *Cuba cat. $3.00 .50
357. 10 Canada 50c blue 1.60
358. 50 Canada 3c Jubilee .25
359. 50 Hong Kong cat. $1.00 .25
360, 50 pocket stamp cases sell 10c ea.
361. Canada 600 ½c numerals 1.90
362. " 500 5c " 1.50
363. " 18 10c " .30
364. United States 400 4c 1895 soak .15
365. " 500 5c " " .15
366. " 500 1c
367. " 1000 10c " " .40
368. " 5000 2c
369. " 100 2c dues 1895 .10
370. " 500 2c green .20
371. " 500 2c brown .25
372. " Collection of about 380 varieties cat about $12
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" " " 20c	.16
" " " 50c	.30
" " " 1 sol	.60
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" " 1 bolivar blue	.06
" " 2 " "	.12
" 1893 50c orange	.03
" " 1 bolivar viol	.05
Bolivar 1891 20c blue	.12
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3 Chili 1900	.05
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2 Switzerland Jubilee 1900	.03
3 Peru 1898 Jubilee	.06
5 " 1886-96	.06
7 " 1897-99	.09
4 Ecuador 1896	.05
5 Guatemala	.07
4 Perak	.07
2 Japan Silver Wedding	.08
4 Japan War stamps	.08
4 Costa Rica 1889	.03
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Errings of Ye Editor.

BY J. SYDNEY DALTON.

When one looks through the columns of many—not all, mind—of our philatelic journals, he is surprised to note that there is a lot of matter within the covers that should not be allowed there. Of course, opinions differ ; one editor may think diffently to another. All editors, however, who are at all fair minded, must see that such things as unjust critiscisms and arguments which can never be satisfactorily decided, are, at least, injurious to the paper and uninteresting to its readers. And yet we notice, also, that it is not only from the pens of correspondents that all unjust critiscisms, etc., come. No ! the editor often lowers himself to make an uncalled for attack on some brother editor or some other innocent member of his circle of acquaintances.

For instance: a favorite "hobby" with many editors is to discourage, to the utmost of their ability, any new contemporary that throws its lot into the ocean of philatelic journalism. This is one of the most ungentlemanly and unprofessional things an editor can do. It either shows his jealousy that another paper should enter the field to compete against him, or his selfishness in not trying to assist a brother editor—and one with a new paper also.

This is one thing editors should refrain from. They should not unjustly criticise and look down upon new papers that have just made their appearance. On the contrary they should in every way try to help them. They should give them a good word and wish them success; they should send two copies of their paper for exchange as if acknowledging the new contemporary and therefore considering it worthy of exchange.

Then again we often notice in journals, discussions on a certain subject carried on by two scribes of different opinion. These two lone persons take it upon their narrow shoulders to decide a point on which the whole philatelic world is divided. Now it is silly in the extreme to allow such dis-

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It is seldom that we speak about our circulation; the replies to ads are so numerous that it is hardly necessary to do so. The circulation accorded us in a recent issue of the American Newspaper Directory was **3,192 per month.** We are about 700 ahead of that figure now, and are therefore considering the advisability of raising our rates.

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cussions to go on, month after month, through the columns of a paper, when the editor must see that the subject cannot be brought to a satisfactory close. In a case like this it is the editor's duty to his subscribers to put a stop to it for it is uninteresting to them and could be used up by other matter with good information of interest to all philatelists.

When a little poetry appears on the pages of any of our journals some editors make this a point of attack also. They denounce it as not helpful to our science; that it does not contain any information for the collector and is, for these reasons, worthless and should not have a place in a paper. This is another grand mistake of "ye editor." Collectors are not always searching for the overflowing spring of knowledge. We do not pick up a stamp journal and expect to find, on every page, some marvellous article to increase our store of philatelic knowledge. No, poetry has as much right in the colums of our philatelic papers as it has in any other paper.

One can see that all editors do not realize the full seriousness of their position. They do not regard it in the full essence of its importance. They regard the position lightly instead of making themselves the stern rulers of all under them; the strict overseer of the welfare of the paper.

The editor should be careful how he wields his own pen and also how his correspondents wield theirs. The editor's position is a serious one and he should regard it as such. He should not unjustly criticise others but should set a good example to all under him. In this way he will raise the standard of his own paper and other editors would always have a good word to say for it.

There is still lots of room for improvement in our philatelic press. Changes for the good are being affected as time wears on, yet it is not by any means perfect. Every editor should endeavor to improve his paper as much as possible.

Don't overlook the premiums all over the paper.

Foreign Subscriptions.

As may be noticed on the first editorial page, the foreign subscription price is only 25 cents. We have decided to change this and hereafter the price is 35 cents. Foreign subscribers please remit in low values of the present issue stamps of their country. Premiums given to foreign subscribers also.

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Ad. Notes.

Geo. A. Holland, page 57 is giving up business. If low prices count for anything his stock should soon be sold out.

Those who are looking for Canadian and Newfoundland stamps at wholesale should look up Charles Bailey's ad on page 62.

Those looking for unused stamps will find what they are after on page 97. W. F. VanMalder's sale is principally unused stamps. He offers used stamps also.

It takes four pages for A. A. VanWie, to tell of all the good things he has for sale. He keeps a full line of albums, catalogues, hinges and supplies. He buys and sells stamps on sheets and in packets. Please note the ads on pages 13, 14, 15 and 16. Wherever discount is quoted 40% read 50%.

Advertisers always patronize the paper that has the largest circulation, and in order to increase our circulation we make some very liberal offers to subscribers on pages 1 and 7.

J. D. Hubel is one of the many who have tested the pulling qualities of the ADVOCATE and found it satisfactory. This month his ad will be found on the inside front cover.

H. W. Campbell has "Something you Want" in V. R. I. and other stamps on the same page.

R. S. Mason wouldn't miss an ad in a special number of the ADVOCATE for a good deal. On page 6 he illustrates a couple of his specialties. His 3c, 5c and 10c sets are good things. The "Model" hinge is pushing its way to the front.

The successful lady dealers of America can be counted on the fingers of one hand. For nearly two years Miss Mary E. Bish has advertised in this paper exclusively. She deals principally in Canadian stamps. This month's sale will be found on page 9. On page 88, she has a list of 10c bargains

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that are worth investigating.

The back cover contains one of the most attractive ads in this issue. Mr. Simpson, has two other page ads. If you are looking for bargains in Confederate stamps don't pass these ads. See pages 58 and 87.

On page 3 J. R. Croft offers Canada stamps at bargain day prices and says "Money refunded if not satisfactory."

Chas. C. DeSelms is "giving away valuable stamps." See his ad on page 10.

Leon V. Cass takes half of page 12, to offer a grand assortment of stamps.

"Energy" promises big things for the 20th Century. Look up the ad on page 39.

Chas. Farr, has an Auction on page 38. Take special notice that bids close Feb'y 25th instead of Feb'y 3rd, as printed.

On page page 40, Chas. S. Osgood holds out some very tempting offers.

Scott's 60th catalogue and this paper one year for 65 cents. Full particulars on page 60.

It is not often that dealers actually give goods away, but Mr. A. C. Roussel comes as near to it as possible. Every purchaser of 50c worth from his ad on page 64, who sends 14c extra for postage will be given free a Canadian Revenue album, size 10 × 13 inches handsomely bound in cloth. The regular price of these albums is 85c. We have had the pleasure of inspecting one of them and find that it is well worth the price asked.

The 24th Auction of the D. P. A. occupies pages 81 and 82. Any one can bid on this sale but only members can offer lots.

Findlay I. Weaver has a sale on page 99. He has also opened a subscription agency and is offering subs to the leading

Blue Dominion Trading Stamps
Wanted.

We wish to obtain a large number of these stamps and invite collectors to send as many stamps as possible.

100 mixed foreign stamps for	5	trading stamps
100 " " " "	15	" "
1 years sub. to Advocate	10	" "
20 word bargain notice	10	" "
1000 mixed foreign stamps	50	" "

We accept them as cash at ¼c each for anything advertised by us.

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magazines at reduced rates.

H. A. Chapman tells how to save $1.45 on page 100. It is a good way to save money. Try it and be convinced.

On pages 101 to 104 will be found the "Bargain Page." These pages teem with offers of exchange and goods for sale. Anyone who misses reading these offers has missed one of the best things in this issue.

a specialist and offers his 4000 collection at a sacrifice on page 33.

Back numbers of this paper make very interesting reading. For 25c we give 25 different including some of the early issues. See page 12.

Some advertisers like to choose their own type when sending copy for ads. Unless a person has had experience with type this is a difficult matter to do. The International Stamp Trading Co. set up (on paper)

Important To All Whether You are a subscriber, D. P. A. or if you receive this number as a sample copy.

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Letters often go astray on account of misdirection which would be returned to the writer if his name and address was on the outside. Printed stationery looks businesslike and costs but very little more than the blank paper. See Starnaman Bros. ad an page 89.

Arthur R. Butler has established a reputation for honest dealing. His offers on the inside back cover should not be missed.

Fred B. Filsinger has decided to become

both of their ads on pages 34 and 35, and they make two attractive pages. This firm makes a specialty of approval sheets for collectors having less than 1000 varieties.

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Wholesale rates on "Perfect" hinges and blank Approval Sheets are given on page 63 by Starnaman Bros.

The Kolona Stamp Co's bargains will be found on page 84.

The bargains offered by the Fair Stamp Co. on page 83 are equal to any in this issue.

The Toledo Stamp Co. gives a Canadian stamp button free to any person sending the names of two collectors and 2c for postage. As usual their offers of stamps are away down in price. See all about it on page 85.

Combination offers are all the rage, but you seldom find an offer like we make on pages 86 and 98. Mekeel's Weekly is known the world over, and the Adhesive is rapidly coming to the front. You have a sample of this paper before you and can see what it is. We give the ADVOCATE, the Adhesive and Mekeels (regular $1.00) for 70c.

Canadian Surcharges.

Ottawa, 12th December, 1900

Sir:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, requesting information as to whether any stamps other than the four maple leaves and numerals were surcharged 2c, and, if there were, the date of issue of such stamps.

In reply, I am to say that the only stamps that have been surcharged were the remnant of 3 cent stamps of the maple leaf and numeral issue in the possession of the Department on the 1st July, 1899.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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before the Jubilees were surcharged, and to be sure, we wrote to the department and received the foregoing communication.

Notes from Great Britain.

BY J. KENNEDY.

There has been added to the Leicester collection of postage stamps in the National Museum in Kildare Street, Dublin, Ireland, one of the rarest known stamps. It is the four pence blue of the first issue of Western Australia with the swan in the centre, inverted. There are very few known, and this was the gem of the Duke of Leicester's collection. It was not in the collection when handed over to Mr. Joynt for arrangement by the late Duke's trustees; but it has just recently returned from London by the authorities of the British Musem to whom it had been sent in error along with some manuscripts. It is now safely placed in its proper position in the collection, and will always remain an object of great interest to philatelists.

New Zealand is now enjoying Imperial penny postage with England. This means a loss in her revenue of something like £8,000. Bravo! New Zealand.

The stamps of Orange River Colony are running out very fast (Transvaal will soon follow suit) and wise collectors should buy while there is yet time, some of these stamps are selling at very high prices in England.

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11.	12—8c orange
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18.	100 " 1c carmine " post cards
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19.	5—5c blue used on covers.
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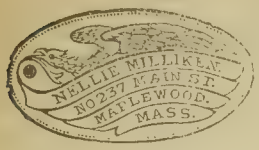

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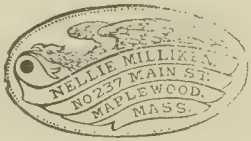

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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The Postmaster General has just unearthed a neat scheme in connection with the annual dead-letter sale. The goods received unclaimed are supposed to be tied up in packages of approximately equal value and submitted by the auctioneer wrapped up; unsight, unseen. Now it transpires that some of the clerks in the dead-letter office, who put up the packages, arranged to make certain of the packages contain all the valuable goods, and then at the sale they bought these packages in. Of course, knowing the value of the package they could afford to outbid the general public. The Postmaster General had some spotters present, and there was trouble for the conspirators. It is curious to note however, that although these people had been betraying their trust, causing the government to lose money on the one hand and on the other hand keeping the public out of a fair deal, yet only two of them were dismissed. The same affair in a private office would probably have ended in the criminal courts.

In some paper recently, appeared a statement that U. S. stamps used in Hawaii could be distinguished by the fact that the cancellation "is invariably in purple ink." If this was ever the case, it is not so now, the ordinary black ink is used throughout the islands.

The prices of some of the stamps as given in the 60th edition are much closer to their real net value than in previous editions, and it will be difficult to give the usual 50% discount, especially on popular countries. In some cases it is difficult to see where the profit will come in even at catalogue rates.

The 1 cent Guam has been found with inverted surcharge.

Four cent envelope die B current issue (large draped bust with inner serrated oval) is a rare stamp, says Mr. Bartels. Red brown and orange two centers are not in it for rarity.

Prices on the high value and new revenue stamps are wobbly and, I think, too high, as the sections of the War Revenue Act which are proposed for repeal are not the ones which will affect those values. The $1000 is quoted at $150, the $500 at $70, the $100 at $20, the $50 at $2.50, the $30 at $10, the $10 at $1, the $1 red at ten cents and the $3 red at $1.

Philatelic Inconsistencies

BY C. L. O'LUCKEN.

"Oh consistency, thou art a jewel!" is particularly applicable to philately as it exists today. Perhaps the one thing which does more to keep philately in ill-repute, or to be more precise, to give our beloved science a reputation as child's play, is the inconsistency with which the

matter of stamps is treated. This statement, to be understood, needs, doubtless a somewhat lengthy explanation, but instead of attempting one, I shall rather point out some of the inconsistencies which I have encountered during my comparatively brief philatelic career, a few of the more glaring ones.

A short time ago I greatly desired to complete a few sets, each of which lacked the most expensive stamp necessary to complete the same. I accordingly sent want lists to several dealers, and was at last rewarded by receiving a stamp on approval, together with a note from the dealer stating that he regretted the fact that the stamp was a little off on account of having one straight edge; however, if I could use it in that condition, I might have it a discount considerably larger than could have been offered had the stamp been perforated on four sides. Of course I took the stamp, but it seemed to me a trifle inconsistent to give a discount off a stamp which obviously was more of a "rara avis" than one of the ordinary perforated-on-four-sides kind. As every one knows, there are fewer stamps with two straight edges. Ought not, then, the straight edge stamps to be more rare, and consequently more desirable and higher in price than ordinary stamps which are perorated on four sides? In a recent issue of the U. S. surcharged for Cuba, it happened that in printing the five cent stamps, the lower lobe of one of the "B's" became broken, thereby making the surcharge on this particular stamp in each sheet somewhat resemble "CUPA,'" and this so-called error or variety is catalogued in the 59th at $1.00, while the perfect specimen is catalogued at but the usual advance over face. By the same token, then, ought not the straight edge stamp, which constitutes but a small fraction of the entire issue be worth considerably more than the others? And ought not those very scarce two-straight edge stamps be worth as much in proportion as this "CUPA" freak? If a broken type in a surcharge makes a "variety," then surely the straight edge stamp, which is an entirely legitimate production, is equally entitled to distinction. If we are to pay attention to such unintentional varieties, let us be consistent about the matter, and give the straight edge its just deserts. Let us make philately a science, and discontinue fool's play.

The matter of the difference in price between used and unused specimens has been extensively treated by various philatelic writers, but a word more or less on the subject will not be out of place here. I am forced to confess when I turn to the pages in my album devoted to the Central American countries, and am obliged to admit that the beautiful unused specimens which adorn those pages are worth but a few cents each, and considerably less than cancelled specimens of the same stamp that philately has not yet reached the stage when it can properly termed a "science," and cannot be until there is some method of doing away with these worthless back numbers which some second or third rate governments palm off on the philatelic public at the end of each year. So long as we permit ourselves to be imposed upon in this manner, so long we cannot consistently, it seems to me, in any sense be termed "scientists," and the term "freaks" is undoubtedly more appropriate. Some one will inquire now why I do not practise what I preach, and remove

from my collection those unused specimens which I so strongly denounce? I expect to decrease my collection by some 200 varieties, which I shall gently consign to the waste paper basket, the place where they belong.

The action on the part of the publishers of certain philatelic journals in agreeing to refuse all advertisements in which counterfeits and reprints are offered is certainly commendable, and is a step in the right direction. Can they not be induced also to include in the category of pictures (they certainly are not stamps,) harmful to philately the remainders which are annually sold to dealers by various governments? I cannot see how a small picture, printed upon a piece of gummed paper, which has never done duty as a postage stamp, and yet is not good for postage in the country by which it was issued, can be termed a postage stamp. Why, then, give them a place in our catalogues and in our collections?

To one who is inclined to look into the future, the undoing of philately will seem to have its beginning in these glaring inconsistencies with which the "science" is at present burdened. Until these are remedied we must not hope to have philately placed upon a substantial, scientific basis.

Postal Systems.

Did you ever stop to think of the wonderful organization that insures the regular transmission of every little letter, and its final safe delivery to its owner, even at the remotest ends of the world, the crowded foreign city, or the solitudes of the mountain or the forest? You cannot go to a point so isolated as to be beyond the ministrations of the postoffice; but in some foreign countries you would find very strange messengers and methods employed.

In the United States the system is so admirably organized that the work of the letter-carrier ceases to have any individuality. If you were to cross the ocean, however, and visit some of the countries of Asia, you would see some very queer postmen. In northern India, among the Himalayas, letters are carried by native runners at the end of a cleft stick. Sometimes one of these postmen will travel a hundred miles to convey his precious missive, the letter being delivered in as clean a condition as when it started.

The commonest type of Indian post-runner, or "toppal-wallah," wears a long white coat, very light trousers, and a huge light-blue turban. His letter bag is slung from his shoulder, and he carries a long stick with a sharp iron point, which can be used as a weapon in case of need. The stick is adorned with six little brass bells which serve to give notice of the approach of the post.

If you were in Japan you would see lithe, wiry runners, with very little clothing on their brown bodies, darting here and there among the crowd. Everybody gives way before them, for they are the postmen of the empire. Their mail is carried in small baskets strapped to their sides. They are capable of sustaining a good deal of fatigue, and make wonderful journeys at times.

Among the placid Chinese, hurry is a form of vulgar impatience, consequently very little dispatch is used in carrying the mails in that great empire. They are content to convey all ordinary communications either by slow paddling or poling

boats, or else by foot-runners, whose high sounding title of "the-thousand-mile horse" does not quicken their pace beyond about twelve miles in twenty-four hours. They carry a paper lantern and a paper umbrella, and their letter-bag is secured to the back by a cloth knotted across the chest.

Among the most picturesque letter-carriers of the world are the "Camel Express Messengers" of Bokara. The men wear a serviceable red uniform, and a large green turban embroidered with gold thread. From their girdle hangs a curved saber in a red sheath. The camels are adorned with trappings of gay tassels ornamented with blue beads and cowrie shells, and with small brass bells round their neck to give notice of their approach. The rough and rapid trotting of these animals, sometimes at the rate of eighty miles a day, is so trying to the riders as to shorten their lives.

Of vehicles, we find every conceivable variety used to aid the post-runner in his labor. In Natal the post-cart is a light four-horse vehicle, not much to look at, but capital as a means of getting over vile roads with deep ruts. In the mountain districts of Brazil a two-wheeled wagon, drawn by oxen, is in use, the wheels being cut out of a solid block and fastened to the axle.

In some parts of Russia buffaloes harnessed to two-wheeled vehicles carry the postmen on their road, but more frequently mail sledges are drawn by horses, by reindeer, or, in the far north, by dogs.

The latter we find again in Canada—as for instance, in the mail service between Selkirk and Lake Winnipeg, where the work is done by trains of letter-sleighs, each drawn by three dogs harnessed in single file.—*Philadelphia Times.*

Lands Without Official Postage.

Many persons are under the impression that the Val D'Andorra, a strip of no man's land between Spain and France, is the only portion of Europe which can boast the absence of an official postage stamp. As a matter of fact, a piece of country known as "Moresnet Calamine," which lies where the Belgian province of Liege meets the Prussian regency of Aix-la-Chapelle, is in a like position. As it has been found impossible to agree as to the frontier delimitation German and Belgian stamps are used indiscriminately. Further, this piece of country has no coinage of its own and uses that of the Latin union.—*London Globe.*

All those who received our last number say it was, by far, the best number of any stamp paper published at the present time; it contained over 100 pages and cover, and more than 50 pages of excellent reading matter. We always try to give our subscribers all the reading matter possible. Those who receive this number as a sample copy and did not see our "20th Century Number" can receive it by sending 25 cents for a year's subscription, and as a premium we will send an 8c Jubilee or 100 different stamps.

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Editorial Opinions.

Our Last Issue.

This issue is necessarily small on account of the lateness of our January number. We hope to have March issue mailed on time. Although it is only a short time since the January number was mailed the results have been very gratifying. It would take another hundred page issue to reprint all of the good things our readers say about it. The following is from one of the advertisers and shows the results of our paper as an ad medium as compared with one of the other philatelic journals. We withold the name of the writer. This letter was written only six days after the paper was mailed and was only a small ad.

"Dear Sirs—We have received two answers a day from our small ad in January ADVOCATE which is more per day than we ever got of "West" per month. Yours is the finest paper that we have ever seen. They all say that "West" has lots of type in use in his paper but your Dec. No. (only eight pages) was honestly more interesting than his of over 100 pages. We have heard several persons here in town who have read your paper say they enjoyed every inch of it."

We do not like to publish anything against other papers but when publishers stoop to falsehood against us and our associations we cannot help showing them when we get a chance.

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Stampic America the philatelic mystery of the nineteenth century has been discontinued. It has never been known (only by a very few) who was the editor and publisher. We often wondered if A. H. Hall had anything to do with it.

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A complaint has been received regarding substitution on a D. P. A. Exchange circuit. This practice should be discontinued. An investigation is being made and and the guilty party or parties will be expelled from the society. The meanest of thieves is the party who substitutes stamps and any person who does so should be exposed in all the papers and punished to the full extent of the law.

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In our last number we stated that a new issue of stamps would probably be issued bearing the lineage of King Edward. This should have read lineament of King Edward.

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Our Holiday "20th Century Number" contained over 100 pages and cover in three colors; over fifty pages of instructive reading matter; good advertisements from all the up-to-date stamp dealers and a number of half-tones of prominent collectors. We will give this grand number, a 20 word bargain notice and the ADVOCATE until Feb. 1902 for only 25 cents in stamps, coin or money order. If you prefer two premiums send 25 unused 2 cent stamps of United States or Canada and the name of a friend and we will send you the paper one year and both premiums and your friend will also receive the paper one year.

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With this issue we commence to fill the subscriptions of the *Jubilee Philatelist and Mount Royal Stamp News.* Those who are already subscribers to the ADVOCATE will have their subscription extended. This will be another benefit to our advertisers. Although this adds nearly 500 to our circulation our rates remain the same at present. Advertisers got good results from the *Jubilee*; what will they get from both? Subscribers to the *Jubilee* can secure a copy of our 104 page January number by sending 10c to Starnaman Bros., Berlin, Ont.

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The Postmaster-General denies the report that he has authorized the issue of a new set of stamps, but that he will wait to see what action the Mother Country takes.

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There is a feeling amongst some dealers that there is going to be a sudden rise in stamps. There are quite a number of stamps in the catalogue priced at almost net value and collectors are sure to make a sudden rush for these stamps. The result will be that they will go up in price. This will benefit philately in many respects: it will be the cause of getting these stamps into circulation and as collectors will purchase other stamps as well, the dealers will do a larger business.

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586. Geo. F. Dold, Chicago, Ill.
587. G. W. Mardell, Esquimalt, B. C.
588. W. C. White, Lewiston, Me.
589. H. Foth, Carlstadt, N. J.
590. W. J. Grimmond, London, Ont.
591. J. R. McCleister, Pt. Ecward, Ont.
592. F. Wade, Fremantle, W. Australia.
593. N. R. W. Bassat, Oshawa, Ont.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

P. F. Dowling, Souris, Man. Age 17, law clerk. Geo. W. Starnaman, J. A. Taylor.

Jno. McLean, Haliburton, Ont. 14, student. R. H. Baker, Fred Freeman.

Wm. Behrens, Elmira, Ont. 43, clerk. J. T. Ott, Starnaman Bros.

Howard Skales, Mount Forest, Ont. 1[illegible] clerk. F. I. Weaver, E. A. Giller.

J. H. Misner, Waterford, Ontario. 18, stamp dealer. Starnaman Bros, Roy Misner.

Philip E. Erbach, Box "E," Baden, Ont 15, student. Starnaman Bros. W Erbach.

Wm. James Gee, Box 176, Kimberl[illegible] South Africa. 24, manager and stamp dealer. Ed Stephenson, C. Gerade.

Arthur Thwaites, 9 Mansfield Ave., Toronto, Ont. 17, student. C. Ussher, R. F. Wrigley.

Thomas E. Davidson, Box 237, Pembroke, Ont. 16, student. Gordon L. Cockburn, S. J. McGaughey.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

420. Prosper H. Neville, Arden, Ont.

RESIGNATION.

123. D. B. Emmert, Dawson, Ohio.

The above will be admitted to membership Mar. 1st providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	407
Paid up since	3
Resigned	1
Total paid up	409

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$15.43
Received for dues, etc.	19.25
	3[illegible].68
Paid Official Organ	5.51
" postage	1.[illegible]6
Printing ballots	.50
Balance on hand	27.41
	34.68

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

JOIN THE D. P. A.

Mr. Gile Apologizes.

Starnaman Bros.,

Sirs:—I hereby beg to apologize for any remarks appearing in the *Bay State Philatelist* "derogatory to the interests of the Association"

Respectfully
Herbert Gile.

Dues.

Members who have not paid their dues for 1901 are requested to send them in at once. All who are not paid up on April 1st will be suspended and deprived of all the benefits of membership.

Changes in Constitution.

Several members have expressed a desire to have certain sections of the constitution changed and the President has appointed the undersigned a committee for receiving suggestions for such changes.

These changes will be voted on at next election.

Send suggestions to the chairman at once

W. A. Starnaman, Chairman.
Findlay I. Weaver } Berlin, Ont.
Geo. W. Starnaman

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A large number of ads were received too late for this issue. Copy for next issue must reach us before Feb. 25th.

25th D. P. A. Auction.

Successful bidders will be notified, when it is expected they will remit, upon receipt of which lots will be forwarded. **Bids will be accepted on this and the 24th Sale until March 1st.**

378. 700 mixed Canada 20
379. 500 " " 15
380. 500 " " 15
381. 500 " " 15
382. 3000 to 3600 mixed 75 to 100 var. 90
383. A set of rubber numerals for pricing stamps on approval sheets, used a short time—the type are mounted on wooden handles.
384. Complete set of rubber type on lead mounts from 2 to 4 copies of each letter. Tweezers, pads, etc. all complete, used a short time, cost about $1.50 (postage extra) no reserve
385. Canada Revenues 7 var 1 issue bill Standard cat 14c
386. Canada Rev 2nd bill 8 var cat 16c
387. " " 3rd bill 1c to 2.00 complete, 17 var, cat 37c
388. Can. Rev. 200 green laws well mixed.
389. Upper Canada Laws C. F. 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 1.00, 2.00 2.00
390. Upper Canada Laws L. S. 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 1.00, 2.00 80
391. Upper Canada Laws F. F. 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, $1.00 15
392. Canada Weights and Measures 10, 15, 20, 50, 1.50, 2.00 blue centre 15
393. Gas—50—100 5
394. Electric Light 25, 50, 100 125
395. Ontario Law 5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 1.00, 2.00 50
396. Canada ½c Jubilee 20
397. " 6c " 35
398. " 4 var Registers
399. " Special Delivery
400. " Jubilee set ½c to 50c 1.75
401. " 50c blue .18
402. " four leaf set complete .25
403. " 25 assorted surcharges .25
404. " 3 pence beaver 1851 fine .25
405. 5000 mixed foreign .95

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2.	200 1c	" "
3.	300 2c	" " red
4.	125 2c	" " purple
5.	13 2c on 3c	"
6.	10 5c	"
7.	100 3c	Canada four maple leaf
8.	8 5c	" " " "
9.	2 8c	" " " "
10.	15 2c	" Imperial (maps)
11.	25 3c	" Jubilee
12.	13 different Russia	
13.	12 "	unused foreign
14.	100 "	foreign
15.	1000 Perfect Hinges	
16.	25 blank approval sheets.	
17.	Directory of 1300 Canadian collectors.	

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" 3. 200 2c purple " numerals
" 4. 100 2c assorted " maps
" 5. 100 3c red " Jubilees
" 6. 100 5c gray " 1882-90
" 7. Block of 25.2c " maps unused
" 8. same as No. 7
" 9. 100 2c carmine U. S. rev 1898
" 10. 100 1c claret U. S. due 1895.
" 11. 100 2c " " " "
" 12. 100 10c green U. S. 1894

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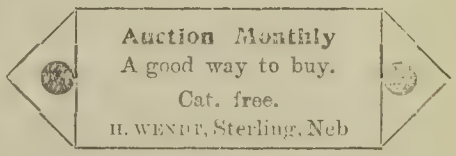

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1890—1c, 2c, 4c, 5c, 10c
1893—1c, 2c, 4c
1894-95—1-2-3-4-5-6-8-10c
1898 Omaha 1c, 2c
Unpaid—Red Brown 2c
Claret 2c, 1894-95—1c, 2c

Envelopes

1884 July—2c, brown on white, amber.
1887—1c, white, amber, manilla, manilla-amber.
2c white, amber, oriental buff, blue. manilla, manilla-amber.
1893—2c.
1899—1c, white, amber, blue.
" 2c, white, amber, blue.

Wrappers

1887—1c-2c
1899 1c-2c

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2c U. S. I. R.—2c bank check, orange, blue
2c black and orange, green paper, violet paper
5c Cerf., 5c Inland Ex.
25c Cerf, 50c Conveyance.

1898 Revenues.
Proprietary—$\frac{1}{8}$-$\frac{1}{4}$-$\frac{3}{8}$-$\frac{5}{8}$
Documentary—1-2-4-5-10c

Foreign

Argentine 1888—5c, 1892—1-2-5c
Austria 1867—2-3-5-10-15kr
1883—2-3-5-10-20kr
1890—1-2-3-5-10-12-15kr
Newspaper—'63-'67—1kr, 1900—2kr
Barbadoes 1d 1892
Belgium 1884—10c-25c, 1886—20-35-50c
1893—20-35c, 1894—5c, 1896—5-10c
1900—10c
Brazil 1891—100r, 1893—100r, 1894—10-20-100-200r, 1900—50-100-200r
British Guiana 89-91—1c-2c
Bulgaria, 1889—5-10-15st
Canada 82-90—1-2-3-5c, 1897—1-2-3c
1898—$\frac{1}{2}$-1-2-3-5c, 1899—2c, post cards
1899—1c
Cape Good Hope 1885—$\frac{1}{2}$-1-2, 1893—1d
Cape Verde 1898 $2\frac{1}{2}$-5r
Ceylon 5c 1886
Chili 5c 1867, 1878—1-2-5c, 1883—5-10c, 1894—1-2c
China $\frac{1}{2}$c 1898
Columbian Republic 5c 1886, 1892—1c-5c, 5c 1899
Cuba 1891—5c, 1896—1-5-10c

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Foreign (continued).

Costa Rica 1863—½r, 1889—1-2-10-20c 5c 1892.
Denmark 4s 1858, 4s 1864, 1874—3-4-8-12-16-50 ore, 1885—5-10-20ore
Dutch Indies, 10c 1870, 10c 1892
Egypt 1p 1884, 1888—1-2-5m
Service 1892 brown
Finland 1885-5-20-25p, 1889—20-25p
France 20c 1853, 20c 1862, 20c 1863, 25c 1870, 5c 1871, 1876—5-15-30c-1fr, 1877—1-2-4-10-15-40c, 1879—3-25-25-50c, 15c 1892. Unpaid 1894 10-30c
French Colonies 1881 5-15c
Germany 1872—1gr, 1875—3-5-10-20, 1880—3-5-10-20, 1889—3-5-10-20-25-50, 1900—2-2-3-5-10-20-25pf
Great Britain 1841 1d, 1d 1864, 1d 1880, ½d 1883, 1887-92 ½-1½-2-2½d, 1900—½
Greece 1889—5-10-20l, 1891—5-10-20l
Guatemala 1c 1887
Hamburg 1864R-1¼-2½ imperf, 1864—1¼-2½ perf
Hong Kong 1882—2c-5c
Hungary 5kr 1872, 20kr 1881, 1888—5-8-12-15-24-30kr, 1900—1-2-3-4-5-6-10-25-30f, Newspaper 1kr 1877
India ½a 1865, 1883—½-1-2a
Envelopes ½a blue, ½a green 1883 H. M. S. ½-1-2
Decan ½a
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Queensland 1891—1-2d, 1895—1-2d, 1896 1d, 1896—1-2d
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Russia 7k 1898, 1882—1-2-3-5-7-14k, 1889-10k, 1890—1-2-3-5-7-14-35k
South Australia 1893—1-2d
Spain 50m 1867, 50m 1868, 50m 1870, 10c 1873, 10c brown 1874, 10c 1875, 10c 1876, 1877—½-10c, 1879—5-10-25, 5c 1882, 1889—5-10-15-25c
St. Settlements 1c 1892
Sweden 12ore 1858, 1872—3-4-5-12-20-30 50ore, 1885—10, 1886—4-5-10-20-30, 1891—1-2-4-5-10-20-30, Official 1874—4-5-10-20 blue, 30
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United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

On a cold day in February the Postoffice Department, to save fuel, decided that the remainders of the old Hawaiin stamps might as well be consumed. The Chief of the stamp division personally superintended the operation. In all there were stamps to the amount of $57,600: they would have made glad the hearts of many collectors, but the Postmaster General is not a philatelist. It is probable, however, that a good many stamps were distributed among favored individuals as specimens, and dealers will be glad to have this lot safely disposed of. Like the proofs of United States stamps, the answer of the department to a request is that "there are none for distribution," but as a matter of fact there is always a fairly good supply in the market, and it may be that some dealer was able to get a supply of the better Hawaiin stamps, to dispose of to philatelic posterity. Hope so, anyhow.

The report of the First Assistant postmaster General for 1900 is notable for a most interesting article on rural free delivery, showing the great advance in the number of routes established, and the benefits derived. On the first of July 1899, there were in operation 391 services, on July 1, 1900 1214, and on the first of November 1900 2551. Many of the routes by the abolition of postoffices and star routes, exhibit an actual cash saving in favor of the rural free delivery. A list of all the routes, useful to the postmark collector, is given.

The same report gives statistics concerning the work of the Deadletter Office for the year 1900. 7,536,158 pieces of mail were handled in all. The face value of monetary enclosures amounted to $1,130,184.98, including notes, etc. Cash found amounted to $44,140.15. Postage stamps $1603.27.

The Peruna Drug Co., has had a private die completed value 2½c. There are three Ferrett stamps ⅝, 1¼ and 2½c. Munyon does not seem to be going to have a private die.

The collector interested in auction sales is kept busy reading these catalogues these days. It is curious to note the difference in the value of these to a person bidding by mail. In some catalogues, the catalogue value, number of each kind and condition is given in describing the lot, and from this standard of perfection there is a descent to the Bogert & Durbin system, where it is absolutely impossible for a mail bidder to make any sort of an estimate as to what he is bidding on in lots of 10 or more stamps. Another point noted is that whereas some firms invariably seem to get the lots at the bidders highest limit, others almost as invariably get the lot below the limit, doing closer bidding and making smaller advances.

The monthly correspondent is at a disadvantage when it comes to active happenings, and I will merely mention that if the Senate amendments to the War Revenue tax on proprietary articles (one-tenth of a cent for 10 cents worth and an additional one-twentieth for each additional 5 cents worth) goes through it will require an entirely new series of proprietary stamps, both general and private, so there may be more trouble for fiscal collectors.

The Emerson Drug Co., (Bromo-Seltzer) of Baltimore, Md. sends a set of their four stamps for 5 cents and return postage.

The Universal Postal Union statistics recently published show the following ranking for the United States in some postal lines.

The U. S. stands first in
- (a) Number of postoffices and employes
- (b) Number of articles of mail matter per inhabitant
- (c) Length of mail routes
- (d) Annual transportation (in miles)
- (e) Deficiency in income over expenditures.

Second (Germany being first) in
- (f) Number of letterboxes for the use of the public.
- (g) Postal income

Third (Germany first, Austria second) in
- (h) number of pieces dispatched

Fourth (Germany, Austria, France) in
- (i) number of pieces received

Sixteenth in
- (k) proportion of postoffices to area and population.

The relative rank of Canada for the above items is
- (a) sixth
- (b) thirteenth
- (c) sixth
- (d) tenth
- (e) fifth
- (f) eleventh
- (g) thirteenth
- (k) thirty-first

The Outskirts of Philately

BY LEWIS C. QUACKENBUSH

In the magnificent Twentieth Century number of the PHILATELIC ADVOCATE appears an editorial advancing a theory that is more than ordinarily worthy of attention and consideration at the hands of thoughtful students of philatelic conditions. The editor of the ADVOCATE states his belief that that there are on this continent a great number of people who collect stamps privately without any connection with the regular body of philatelists; who belong to no philatelic organizations; who know of no other collectors beside themselves; who have no just conception of the standing and importance of philately as a recognized science.

At first sight this theory seems a startling one; and it becomes even more so when the editor adds his belief that the number of those who collect in this manner is greater than the number of the recognized followers of Philately. If this be indeed true it is, looked at rightly, a matter of enormous importance. These quasi collectors, who are hovering blindly in the vicinity of the body philatelic and yet are practically unaware of its existence, form the class who it will be esiest to tempt into real, active philately, if once they can be reached and made aware that there is something more to stamp collecting than the mere saving up of such stray varieties as a collector so isolated might chance to acquire. I believe almost all of usare inclined to under-estimate the number of people interested in stamp collecting; and to lose count of all those who do not openly show their colors by actively supporting those philatelic movements and in-

stitutions that would seem calculated to attract the interest and aid of all collectors. When we see the largest national philatelic association in America with less than 500 members, when in cities of two or three million people like New York or Chicago, it is impossible for a representative local society to secure more than from 100 to 150 members; when the leading philatelic weekly on this continent, one that it would seem no active collector could possibly refrain from subscribing to, has only about 6000 subscribers; when few of the very best monthly journals can obtain as much as two or three thousand paid up circulation at subscription rates so small that the poorest collector can subscribe to a dozen, it would seem reasonable to estimate the number of American collectors at not more than ten or fifteen thousand. Of course the unnumbered myriads of boys from 10 to 15 years old, who collect in the manner peculiar to boyhood, are not included in this estimate. Their mode of collecting, while it may lay the foundation for future interest in real Philately, has little relation with it.

I believe, however, that the meager estimate arrived at from the above data is a fallacious one. There are many things to prove that the number of buyers of stamps for collectible purposes in America would foot up to a total many times as large. The business done in stamps at retail proves this beyond a doubt. Take, for example, the city of New York. The largest stamp firm in that city now maintains and has for many years, a retail store on one of the leading thoroughfares. They carry on from the same location a very large business by correspondence, but that part of their business could be handled to equal advantage in quarters remote from the shopping district, renting at one fourth the sums they pay. This concern finds it profitable to pay a large rent for this centrally located store and to hire several clerks whose sole duty consists in looking after the retail stock and serving retail customers. I have been in this store many times and have always found from one to a dozen persons buying stamps over its counters. The question is: where do these customers come from? The Collector's Club has, say 150 active members on its roll. Other smaller societies have a fair membership, but all of them are more or less duplicates of one another, in that the collector belonging to one is quite likely to be a member of the others. There are at least a dozen other fair-sized dealers in New York who are members of these same societies, and who have naturally their circles of friends among them, who will buy of them as far as possible. Whence then, comes all this retail trade to this one store; and not only to this one, but to the dozen others as well who all sell more or less stamps over their counters?

The answer is that in New York and its environs there are at least two or three thousand men and women who own albums and collections; and buy more or less stamps to put into them, who evidently know and care very little about Philately in the full sense of the word. They have become interested in stamps in various accidental ways often by helping children in their collecting efforts; they buy their specimens at the one or two stamp stores known to them; and although they have some notion that many other people are also making collections, they fail to get in touch with the general philatelic world.

It must not be supposed that such isolated collectors do not often amass excellent collections. With the help of catalog and album, it is possible for one to collect intelligently, within certain limits, without knowing much more about philately, To know the number of persons in our large cities who collect in this way would undoubtedly astonish most philatelists very much. Every dealer who sells at retail in New York, Boston, Chicago or San Fransisco will confirm this statement. Every such dealer sells stamps to many persons who, if approached on the subject of joining any local society or subscribing to any stamp publication, explains that he desires to collect only in his own way as a matter of pleasure, and that he does not desire any relations with scientific collectors or scientific stamp journals. Many city dealers have private lists of customers who are collecting without any open connection with stamps that they would not for a large sum let any other dealer look over.

It may seem incredible to many of my readers that any one who collects at all should not be brought in touch with philately by means of the philatelic press. But the novice in stamps does not so easily get into the current. Pardon a personal reminiscence, I collected stamps for three years before I ever saw a stamp paper. What stamps I purchased during that time, I bought of Edwards, Peeks & Co., the old time Chicago dealers, whom I learned of through an ad of theirs in some one of the juvenile papers. I bought an album of them. I bought a great many packets and sets of them. Their price lists were my all in all. These lists contained enough enticing offers to more than satisfy my needs and though in a hazy way aware that there were other dealers and that some of them actually published stamp magazines, I believe that fact had very little interest for me. It was not until '89 when C. H. Mekeel began to advertise the *Philatelic Journal of America* in the non-philatelic press, that I saw my first stamp paper and began from that moment a new epoch in my collecting career,

Even the city collector does not so easily make acquaintance with the stampic press. The large New York concern before mentioned publishes a magazine, the *American Journal of Philately*, but this magazine does not contain one single advertisement outside those of its publishers; and one might take the *A. J. of P.* for a lifetime and never learn from its pages that there existed in America any other stamp dealers save the firm that publishes it, or any other stamp journal save that one paper. A great many other dealers who cater to local trade are singularly anxious to keep their customers to themselves; and probably the collector in a small town, from the very fact that he is obliged to do his stamp buying by mail is much more likely to become thoroughly acquainted with the philatelic press than his city brother.

There is still another class of semi-collectors who have still less knowledge of and still less connection with philately proper: namely, those who have no albums and do not pretend to collect but who own a few stamps, which they carry about in a stray department of their pocket books or some similar receptacle. This class of collector is mostly to be found in large business houses reciving considerable foreign mail matter, though people almost anywhere

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The *International Philatelist* and *Grant's Philatelic Monthly* have been consolidated with the *Twentieth Century Fireside*. Mr. Clark W. Brown, Syracuse, N. Y. has purchased the *New York Philatelist*, and the *Perforator* has been sold to Messrs Rice & Sheldon of Oswego, N. Y. The *Philatelic Post* is filling the subscriptions of the *Allegheny Philatelist*, and *Stanton's Philatelic Index* has been consolidated with the *Philatelic Chronicle*. C. E. Cooley has added the subscription list of the *International Philatelic Review* to his *Exchange*. The *Jubilee Philatelist* has been taken over by the ADVOCATE. All these changes have taken place since January 1st, and another change in Canadian philatelic journalism will be announced next month. Another three months like the first three, will leave only the "old reliables" in the field which will improve things for the publishers and their patrons.

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It is not the province of this paper to dictate how its readers shall make their own investments but it can give some advice of benefit to all. It would hardly be proper to give an unqualified endorsement of any advertisement, no matter how worthy, appearing in this paper, but it is proper to advise an investigation of their merits, and we do advise an investigation of the merits of the Aristos Gold Mining Co.

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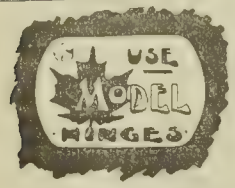

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United States Minutes.

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Unsurcharged stamps seem to be in use in the Philippines as in every mail there are a few.

There is a deal of shuffling going on with the ownership of stamp papers just now, the *International Philatelic Review* is now consolidated with the *Exchange* (and the general appearance suffers), the *Philatelic Chronicle* has absorbed *Stanton's Philatelic Index* and the *Gopher State Philatelist*, the *Perforator* has been sold, the *Evergreen State Philatelist* is in with Redfield's *Philatelic Post* and several new stamp journals are announced for an early appearance.

The amended War Revenue act, which goes into effect on July 1, next, abolishes all taxes on private proprietary preparations, and takes off a number of the smaller documentary taxes. The higher values will still be used so that collectors will have plenty of opportunity to fill in their blanks.

When one philatelic journal is absorbed by another, a squeeze is perpetrated upon the subscribers to the absorbed journal, who are also subscribers to the absorbing journal. Instead of the subscription being extended to cover the unexpired subscription to the defunct periodical, they receive two copies of the continuing one, not by any means an equivalent in value. I suppose there is a reason for this, but the attention is called to it by the consolidation of two large general magazines, where the persons who were subscribers to both, received a notice that their subscription to the continuing one would be extended to cover the unexpired time of the other. Why is it not thusly with philatelic papers?

When I gave a list of precancelled stamps in the Mammoth Number, it was in the belief that it was fairly complete, but from subsequent information and observation it seems to have covered about ⅓ of the varieties and the field is getting too wide to cover. Chicago has now stepped in with an order for 510,000 of them for one firm, and it is only a question of time before there will be more or less of a complete set for each Presidential postoffice in the U. S. The Department takes no official notice of them, they are not to be exhibited at Buffalo as part of the postal exhibit, and it is very doubtful whether a forgery would be open to prosecution. A forgery on a genuine stamp would play directly into the hands of Uncle Sam, as he would have been paid for a stamp without having to perform postal service for it. The precancelled stamp is on a precarious basis, and collectors of them (of whom I am one) will have to look out for the genuineness of our specimens.

The papers have been stating that the government stamp exhibit at Buffalo is "to be complete," but this hardly seems

possible, as its value is stated at about $5,000.

There is no reason for going to dealers to secure sets of these Buffalo stamps, any postmaster will send them on receipt of 30 cents, though, of course, the question of centering will be doubtful.

There is a rumor that more stamps are to be surcharged for Guam, among them a number of Special Delivery. They must do business on the jump in that island, as this is the second order for Special Delivery stamps.

Here is an interesting question. There are a number of dangerous counterfeits now being made of the "Habilitado" surcharges on the Porto Rico stamps. The *American Philatelic Magazine* printed a minute description of the forgeries, pointing out wherein they differ from the surcharges. Mr. Luff writes to the editor and states the publication is a mistake, that the forgers will be enabled to improve their productions and so further deceive collectors, that he has known about these forgeries for some time, but has carefully refrained from publishing his knowledge. The editor retorts by saying that collectors are able to judge for themselves having a good description to go by. Which is right?

The Outskirts of Philately.

Continued from March number.

BY LEWIS G. QUACKENBUSH.

who receive mail matter bearing stamps of unfamliar design, are quite likely to preserve them as curiosities, just as so many persons not coin collectors will keep as curios any odd coins that stray into their possession. This class offers perhaps an even more promising field for philatelic recruiting than the other species of collector before mentioned, inasmuch as so many of the latter are so deeply rooted in their own imperfect methods of collecting as to be less easily inducted into real philately than the out and out beginner who begins at the bottom round of the ladder.

The question of how these two classes of collectors are to be reached and brought into real active philately is a large one: too large to be adequately considered here, so much space having been devoted to investigating the causes which have not only led so many people into these halfway forms of stamp collecting, but have conspired to keep them so far in the background, I propose to devote a future article to discussing the opportunities which this state of affairs offers to philately. Meanwhile let me repeat my belief that the ADVOCATE has called attention to a matter that deserves careful attention at the hands of all those who believe in spreading the gospel of philately to the widest possible exent.

The Passing of the Queen.

BY HENRY A. CHAPMAN.

The death of Queen Victoria on January 22, 1901, has been the cause of a good deal of talk, both in philatelic and other circles, furnishing a subject for nearly everybody to write upon. It must have a very important bearing upon philately.

Although known by the name of Victoria, she was christened Alexandrina Victoria, but the latter has been her official designation, and her successor, Albert Edward, is also known by his middle name—King Edward VII. Most people are aware that she was a Hanoverian,

through her descent from the four Georges who denied their descent from the palatine elector. There are, however, many who are not cognizant of the fact that she descended from the Stuarts and Tudors. Mary Stuart and Darnley were her ancestors, and they were both descended from Margaret Tudor, sister of Henry VIII, their father being Henry VII, the first reigning Tudor.

Queen Victoria came to the throne in June, 1837, or about three years before postage stamps came into existence. Since then the stamps of Great Britain and her Colonies have borne her likeness on the large majority of issues, and counting from 1840, when her head first appeared on stamps, the total number must be in thousands.

At her death, I believe, English colonies numbered over 100, and as nearly half used stamps with her likeness on, probably at the present time several hundreds of stamps have her features on them, counting postal cards and envelopes. In the natural order of things, the coins and stamps of the British Kingdom and her tributaries will be changed in the main and new sets may be soon expected with King Edward as the subject of design. Owing to his somewhat advanced age, another change is likely to take place in a few years and his likeness will be replaced by that of George V, and later by that of Edward VIII. King Edward is older than Emperor Frederic of Germany was when he followed his father, yet Frederic lived to bear his title only 97 days. I mention this to show the uncertain hold persons have on life and that changes may happen often.

Whether the Queen's death will affect the prices of the stamps which bear her likeness is an open question, but it is very certain that the collection of them will be "quite the thing" for a while. To many Americans, next to the stamps of the United States the British issues are favorites. It is very certain that the 1d and 2d Maur- of 1847 would be thankfully accepted by any collector, or the 2d of 1858. Who would refuse the 12d black of Canada, or the 6d violet or purple? There are many issues of Ceylon which would not be sneezed at, the ½a red, 1854 of India ditto. I would gloat over the possession of a 1sh. Gibraltar of 1886, or the 1d black 1840 and 1876 of Great Britain. Any one who is not the possessor of the "Grand Old Stamp," the 5d green of New South Wales, ought to have it, and the issue of 1882-88 can be procured cheaply. The 5sh purple of the same country is a beautiful stamp of the medallion style. Very few object to the pretty Jubilee issues, even if they were so so strongly suggestive of speculation. The issues of the Niger Coast are favorites with many. I could enlarge on this subject but I think enough has been said to give an idea of what a collection of valuable stamps could be made if a person's pocket book was plethoric enough and the said collection could be confined to those issues bearing her likeness.

It seems to me that some issues should continue to bear her likeness. Canada's later issues have shown her as an octogenarian, and it wouldn't be a bad idea to keep one of these stamps perpetually in existence—the 20c green, for instance. Let this or some stamp bearing her likeness, be a constant reminder of the grandest woman of the 19th Century or any other century: Alexandrina Victoria, Queen of England and Empress of India.

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There are still a number of D. P. A. members who believe that the ADVOCATE is part of the society. True it serves the society in a manner which would lead the uninformed to believe so, but it is doing its duty. Remember, when you pay your dues for the society you do not get a premium from the publishers; the preminms are cheerfully given to those who subscribe but not otherwise.

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President's Report.

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90. W. E. Elliott, c/o Algoma Commercial Co., Sault Ste Marie, Ont.
32. E. L. Shove, Box 544, Middletown, N. Y.

NOMINATIONS.

According to Art X. Sec. 2 of the constitution, it now becomes my duty to call for nominations for officers, also for convention seat for 1901. All nominations must reach me **before Apr 25th**. Nominations must be made according to Art. X, Sec. 2, page 14 of the Handbook.

The convention will be be held in Montreal on July 1st and 2nd 1901.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$34.92
Received for dues, etc.....	10.85
	45.77
Paid Official Organ	5.57
" postage.....	.94
Dunning delinquent members....	1.60
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Ballots in opposition to change in constitution:—Herbert Gile, A. R. Magill, Ross D. Breniser, Edward Spurr, Ralph B. Bartoo, Dan D. Doolittle, D. Goldfinch, A. E. H. Coo, G. E. Davenport, W. H. Allison, W. Russel Brown. A. J. Young, Elmer Smith, Wm. W. Young, R. F. Wrigley, C. W. N. Ussher. Total 16.

One ballot in favor of the change was received unsigned, and is not included in this list.

One ballot against the change was received from Mr. John W. Boud, an applicant for membership, has of necessity to be counted out.

Notification to Members.

Members are herewith advised that Messrs W. James Wurtele, Hew R. Wood, and A. R. Magill, of Montreal, have been appointed members of the Convention Committee to arrange for the meeting of the association to take place in that city in July next. Members desiring to make suggestions are requested to address themselves to any of the above committee.

ERNEST F. WURTELE, Pres.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

603 F. J. McGolduck, Montreal, Que.
604 R. L. Baynes Reed, Victoria, B. C.
605 Henry Keuth, Dahlgren, Ill.
606 H. A. Frederic, Victoria, B. C.
607 Robt. H. Coleman, Toronto, Ont.
608 Grover B. Lewis, Guttenberg, N. J.
609 Alfred John Walbancke, Beechworth, Australia.
610 Emmet Kineman, Dromard, Calif.
611 Delavon McFarland, Trenton, N. J.
612 Frank Bullivant, Poplar Bluff, Mo.
613 S. W. Huntington, Rochester, N. Y.
614 Frank D. Murphy, Brantford, Ont.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Ernest E. Harris, 28 Farley Ave. Toronto, Ont. Age 15, cloth coverer. Refs. Chas. Ussher, E. A. Corker.

John W. Moots, Truck Co., No. 2, H. F. D. Hoboken, N. J. 45, fire dept. R. S. Yager, Capt Wm. Fenton.

Edgar Britton, Deer Park, Ont. 18. clerk. Chas. Ussher, Alfred Rene.

A. H. Gould, 658 West Washington Av. Elmira, N. Y. 29 cashier. A. D. Blair, W. F. Dent.

Alfred Monuetto, 288 Yonge St., Toronto, Ont. 30, bookkeeper. W. Russel Brown A. E. H. Coo.

Wm. A. Petrie, 651 Manning Ave., Toronto, Ont. 15, student. Chas. Ussher, Wm. H. Young.

C. H. Haas, Salamanca, N. Y. 23, machinist. H. Woodall, J. Culbertson.

A. D. Blair Jr., 600 W. Church St., Elmira. N. Y. 18, private secretary. R. S. Mason, Geo. W. Starnaman.

G. W. Carroll Jr., 257 Broadway, Norwich, Conn. 15, student. Starnaman Bros. Geo. W. Carroll.

C. S. Tarver, Feronia Way, Rutherford, N. J. Geo. W. Starnaman, L. Brodstone.

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276 25 unused assorted .20
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310 200 mixed India, Chile, Egypt etc .40
319 Canada 20 ½c maple leaf .20
325 " 25 assorted surcharges .25
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348 " 2nd " " " 8 " .15
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402 " 4 leaf ½ to 10c .25
406 " 3 pence beaver (fine) .25
407 " 3 " " .15
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410 " ten 5c registers .8
411 " Maple leaf 50 1c .10
412 " " " 25 2c .8
413 " " " 50 3c .8
414 " " " 25 5c blue .20
415 " Numerals 25 ½c .10
416 " " 100 1c .3
417 " " 500 1c .15
418 " " 500 2c .15
419 " " 100 3c .10
420 " " 25 5c .12
421 " Jubilee 10 1c .10
422 " " 10 2c .20
423 " " 10 3c .7
424 " Imperials 25 green .15
425 " " 25 lavender .15
426 " 1000 mixed .30
427 50 Portugal assorted .20
428 50 Spain " .15
429 500 " .45
429 50 Hong Kong " cat $1.00 .30
430 50 France " .10
431 50 Newfoundland assorted .60
432 50 Sweden " .15
433 50 Wurtemburg " .15
434 50 Canada 3c Jubilee .20
435 50 " 1c issue bill assorted .25
436 50 Argentine 3c .10
437 250 Canada 2c num puple .25
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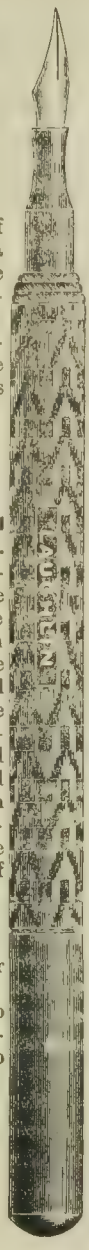

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New Stamps and Coins.

Collectors of stamps and coins, more formidably known as philatelists and numismatists, are eagerly awaiting the new series of designs which will in due course mark the reign of King Edward VII. There are certain rules governing the side of the coin upon which the head of the sovereign appears. The design of the head will be chosen by the King, and he will also decide whether the crown is to be shown or not, but whatever other alterations are decided upon, the head must be shown in profile. The reason that the head must always be in profile is that it is required to look to left and right in alternate reigns. George III looked to the right, George IV to the left, William IV to the right, and Queen Victoria to the left, Edward VII, therefore, will look the right. As the postage stamp only dates from the Queen's reign, there are, of course, not the same precedents as in the case of coins. But English stamps bear the Queen's head in profile looking leftward, and there are very few exceptions to this rule in Colonial stamps. We in Canada are perhaps the loosest of all countries in respecting etiquette of this kind. We sport a coat of arms that is a horror to heraldry, and we have despised all tradition in our stamps, of which we have about a dozen between 1868 and 1882 in which the head looks to the right. The head of our 1894 stamp also looks to the right, and our Jubilee stamps have the Queen's head both full face and profile. All the new English stamps, however, will doubtless be printed with the King's head in profile looking to the right, and this custom will generally be followed in the other colonies. The reverse of the coins, however, will depend altogether upon the personal taste of His Majesty. The designs will be submitted to him, and he will personally select them. As his tastes and those of his family are well known to be artistic, the reverse of the new coins is expected to make an especially fine appearance. Few persons are aware of the significance of the wreath of laurel, tied at the back of the head by a ribbon, which appears upon some of the earlier Victorian coins. This wreath appears on the coins of George III. and George IV., but not on those of William IV., and it appears on most of those of Queen Victoria, until superseded by the crown and veil of the 1887 Jubilee coins, This is the laurel wreath of victory, and is never used until some great victory has occurred in the reign of a sovereign. It cannot, therefore, appear upon the new issue, and the King and his subjects will be the happier if there never occurs an opportunity to use it during the period that his reign continues.—*Montreal Witness.*

Try an ad in our next issue.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

The Buffalo Stamps—now you have them what do you think about them? They will be issued until November 1, they cost 20 cents per thousand to print, as against 8 cents for the ordinary issue. Unole Sam will print all you want, so step right up and gather them in, They are printed in sheets of 200 and sold in sheets of 100. The number of each denomination will be

1 cent	71	million,
2 "	160	"
4 "	5	"
5 "	8	"
8 "	3	"
10 "	4	"

Plate number collectors will have to remember that there are two sets of numbers one for the border and one for the vignette and that consequently there is a possibility of many combinations.

It is definitely stated that there will be no more surcharged stamps for Guam, and let's hope it's true.

The "ring" in J. Ellwood Lee stamps seems to have been broken, a Chicago dealer now offering them for 35 cents seconds and 50 cents firsts.

There will probably be a new series of revenue stamps to fit the bucket shop clause of the amended war revenue act. The act imposes an additional tax on these shops, and the stamps will be distinctive, either by a surcharge or a new design.

Regulations to provide for the redemption of revenue stamps rendered useless by the amended act have been published. No amount less than $2 will be dealt with, they must be presented for redemption within two years of the date of sale, and the affidavits and vouchers required are likely to discourage many holders, and thereby Uncle Sam will turn a good many honest dollars.

It will probably be at least a year before the new series of U. S. postage stamps, with the name and dates of birth and death of the persons whose portraits are given comes out.

Cuba has now been given "domestic" rates of postage with the United States.

There are two classes of people who separate from a philatelic society, the honorable class who resign while in good standiug, and the class who sponge on until dropped for non-payment of dues, and then fail to reinstate themselves, by paying up.

On April 1, 1901 the maximum amount of a money order issued in Canada for payment in the United States was increased to $100.

The sender of any article addressed for delivery in a foreign country may cause it to be withdrawn from the postal service or have its address changed, as long as the article has not been delivered to the addressee; provided the legislation of the country of destination of the article allows such withdrawal or alteration.

Cards wholly in print, folded with open ends, and having the outer edge or flap sealed with a sticker in such a manner that the *entire inner surface may be easily examined*, are mailable at the third-class rate of postage; but the Department discourages the use of stickers, and especially the use of postage stamps, in this manner.

The following amendment has been made to the U. S. postal laws:—"During the heated term postmasters may permit letter carriers to wear a neat shirt-waist

or loose fitting blouse, instead of coat and vest; the same to be made of light gray cheviot, or other light gray washable material; to be worn with turn down collar, dark tie and a neat belt; all to be uniform at each office."

As Toronto Thinks.

BY RAYMOND S. BAKER,

It is estimated that there are over 5000 collectors in the city. What a latent force which might become powerful and progressive in advancing philately through two or three local societies, a national organization and a respectable publication.

Yonge, King, and Adelaide streets have each their quota of stamp windows, filled principally with sheets and albums. Mr. W. R. Adams shows especial taste in decorating a large portrait of our late queen with the postal issues of the many countries that comprise the British Empire. Dealers generally report that there is a decided falling off in the stamp business compared with former years.

There seems to be some fatality connected with Toronto in reference to publishing journals. Nearly twenty attempts have been made with more or less succes. The weekly has fared as badly as the monthly, if not worse. Failure was not due to lack of quality for collectors of some years' standing remember the *Canadian Philatelic Magazine* as a well printed, interesting publication and the *Canadian Journal of Philately* at $3.00 a year was the most complete and elaborate of its kind. In a city where nearly all enterprises flourish with marvelous health, it is a matter of wonder that fortune has not favored the stamp paper.

The Toronto Philatelic Club held an excellent session March 12th in their rooms at Broadway Hall. President Geo. E. Davenport occupied the chair with twenty-five members in attendance. Additions to membership were reported and new candidates were received, and D. P. A. matters of general interest were discussed. In matter of entertainment an address was delivered by R. S. Baker on Philatelic Fiction illustrated by humorous selections.

A spirited auction sale concluded the meeting.

The honor of being the first to issue a stamp bearing the portrait of King Edward, admittedly belongs by a caprice of fate to Newfoundland. And, indeed, it is not inappropriate that the oldest British Colony, though unwittingly, should nevertheless have had the precedence, in this matter, even of the mother country whose proud right it was to inaugurate the postal system. Newfoundland, with her unsullied philatelic reputation, has the congratulations of collectors the world over.

Office Desk By Mail.

The largest piece of first class mail matter that was ever sent through the Indianapolis postoffice was an office desk which the government has purchased of an Indianapolis manufacturer and shipped to Manila, Philippine Islands, for use in the postal service in that city. The desk was large enough to make a dinining table for five or six people. It was made of heavy oak and weighed about as much as a piano. It was wrapped in heavy jute by the manufacturers and delivered to the post office here, where it was started on its long journey. An official envelope of the post office department was pasted on the top

and bore the address of a government officer at Manila.

The contractor who carries mail between the postoffice and the Union Station secured an extra waggon to take the desk to the train, and it travelled in a postal car from here to San Francisco, and the mail clerks along the way had to handle it. If the government had been required to pay 2 cents for each half ounce, the price of ordinary first class mail, the postage on the desk would have been more than the cost of the desk at the factory. By sending it by mail the cost of transportation was saved by the government.

—*Indianapolis News.*

Anent Minor Varieties.

BY LEON V. CASS.

My opinion as to the collecting of minor varieties is that each collector should decide for himself, and if it pleases him to search out the minor diffe rences, he should by all means collect them.

Every collector, however, should keep his eyes open and learn to tell minor varieties, as in many cases a scarce minor variety would sell for enough to bring him many new varieties for his collection, whereas if he paid no attention to these differences, the scarce variety would go at the same low price as the common variety. One should endeavor to keep up-to-date and in order to be up-to-date in philately one must study minor varieties more or less whether he admits them to his collection or not.

It is not my intention to go over the old theme as to the advisability of collecting minor varieties, however, but to describe those I have seen, and which to my knowledge have not yet been chronicled.

The 2 cent 1900 issue of New Zealand comes in two distinct shades, one shade being much darker than the other and distinct enough to be chronicled in my opinion. I have seen less than a dozen of these stamps and the two varieties of shades were about evenly assorted so I cannot tell which variety is the scarcest. One shade may be a first printing and if so it will likely be good property to have. I hope to be able to state which, if either, of the shades is scarcer later on.

I have seen the one dollar green 1898 issue U. S. War revenue in three different shades, yellow green, green, and blue green.

The three cent 1851 issue U. S. is very prolific in shades and one can easily pick out any where from a dozen to twenty shades out of a hundred of them.

The one-half cent gray 1898 U. S. revenue comes part rouletted, as I have seen a few pairs of this stamp in that condition.

Among other minor varieties mentioned in an article in the *Exchange* is the 2 cent bank check orange, and 2 cent internal revenue orange first issue on light green surfaced paper. This variety is quite scarce as the writer has seen but four copies and I have never seen any although I have handled hundreds of these stamps.

Scott catalogues the one cent 1873 issue U. S. in three shades, dark ultramarine, and gray blue.

I have seen this stamp in another distinct shade which might be called blue green. I have a copy of the 3c rose 1861 issue on original cover part perforated. The stamp was cut with wide margin on one side and shows a part of another stamp on the opposite side.

Besides the different size of embossing mentioned in the catalogue I have seen the 3 cent rose 1867-8 issue with embossing measuring 11 × 12 and other sizes have been described by writers at different times.

Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and Articles of Noted Writers Carefully Condensed.

BY GEORGE W. STARNAMAN.

Paper, watermarks, perforations and gum are points to be carefully looked into. Few reprints and hardly any forgeries are watermarked, and the gauge of the perforation, roulette, &c., of a genuine stamp is seldom the same as that of its imitations. Reprints often have no gum, or one entirely different to that found on originals.—A. B. Kay.

Some of the Grecian stamps promise to be priced high. Those shades of which it is known only small quantities were overprinted are being cornered for an eventual rise. The speculator will poach upon the collector's preserves and I am not sure that the cornering is confined to the mere speculator, for both the dealer and collector indulge in the game when they can spare the cash.—Edward J. Nankivell.

Foreign revenue stamps are much handsomer than postage stamps and are otherwise interesting and instructive, inasmuch as they constitute an illustrative index to to the systems of taxation employed by different nations and to the changing conditions under which taxes rise and fall.—A. G. Burgoyne.

The careful collector usually buys with calm judgement, but, even so, it frequently happens that when a certain stamp has been sought for, the stamp itself is the first consideration of the buyer and its condition a secondary one—F. Brown.

If there was but one country in the world, and that country issued only one set of stamps, retaining the same design for years and years, and the same colors for all the stamps, there would be very few stamp collectors in the world. It is the variety of designs, colors, watermarks, perforations, paper, etc., etc., that makes collecting a pleasure.—S. A. D. Cox.

I collect all my stamps for the pleasure, information and satisfaction they give me in their getting. And this without consideration of their cash value yesterday or tomorrow. Does the collector of unused stamps collect in the same spirit? No. His pleasure and displeasure are regulated by the market prices for unused stamps.—Joe S. Davis.

The model stamp collector aims at completion, although he does not strive after it to the detriment of his general collection. His stamps are especially strong in those countries which have comparatively few varieties, and which are obtainable at an average cost. He keeps up with the new issues in good fashion, choosing those he deems valuable and authentic.—Raymond S. Baker.

The following is a list of stamps which should not be soaked in water:—

Afghanistan : the current stamps.
Belgium : later issues.
Great Britain: all stamps from 1887 onwards.
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Russia : the earlier issues
Tasmania : recent stamps in fugitive inks.—*Stamps.*

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EDITORIALS.

In the April number of the *Quaker City Philatelist* we note an item regarding the D. P. A. Constitution. The writer, who has only been a member for a few months, complains that members are not allowed to criticise the Society. There is nothing to this effect in the Constitution. Members are only prohibited from making criticisms that are injurious to the Society. When the writer of the item has been a member as long as those who formed the constitution he will see the wisdom of the clause.

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On April 18th the *Youths' Companion* issued a handsome "75th Birthday Number," and a souvenir giving interesting information regarding the publication. In 1827 a boy brought the paper for a week's edition in a wheelbarrow; but in 1901 the paper for one week is brought on eleven two-horse drays, ten rolls of paper on each dray, and each roll weighing 750 pounds.

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There has been a society formed for the benefit of curio collectors. They now have their own official organ, the *Curio Monthly*, an interesting paper for curio collectors. For particulars address the Secy, Allan Jesse Reynolds, 2105 Grand Ave., Connersville, Ind.

Mr. Albert C. Stewart, manager of the Toledo Stamp Co., has become the possessor of two pairs of the $1.00 green, documentary of the 1898 issue, used, and *not* rouletted horizontally. These have not been previously chronicled by any other person and are nice copies.

Elmer Smith, Colusa, Ill., writes that he has had trouble with Chas. Cabaniols, New Orleans, who will not settle for stamps. We wrote to Mr. C. but got no reply.

Mr. W. D. Boyd, Simcoe, Ont., submitted for our inspection a 3c Canada numeral surcharged with the figure "2" above the word "cents," the whole being in the center of the stamp. The letter had been posted at Jarvis, Ont., and passed without detection. We sent the stamp to the P. O. Dept. at Ottawa and received the following reply.

Ottawa April 23, 01.

Gentlemen:—In reply to your letter of the 20th I am directed to say that the surcharge in this case is clearly a spurious one, as anyone acquainted with the authorized surcharge may easily see. There was only the one lot of 3c stamps surcharged by this Dept., and these were all surcharged by the same plate, which bore the inscription "2 cents" at the lower edge of the stamp, and occupied only one line.

E. J. Stanton,
Supt. P. O. Stamp Branch.

We are still giving a year's subscription or a 20 word ad on bargain page for 10 blue Dominion Trading Stamps, or we will accept them as cash at ¼c each for anything we advertise.

Energy has been consolidated with the *Canada Stamp Sheet*, of Quebec, Mr. Weaver being too busy to give it proper attention.

Dealers Look Out For Him!

The following letters explain themselves.

Fort Valley, Ga., April 15, 1901

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Mr. Shaw also wrote giving "Merchants Bank, Albany, Ga., as reference.

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The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

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Paid up since	14
Reinstated	10
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Total paid up	291

This seems quite a reduction in membership but the society can not afford to have members who do not pay their dues. I would be pleased to receive the dues (25 cents(of any of those who were suspended and they will be announced as reinstated next month.

Important Notice.

All those who expect to attend the Convention in Montreal on July 1st and 2nd are requested to notify the Secretary before May 25th. There will be a good time, so send your name at once. Single fares on all railroads in Canada and the U. S.

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Those wishing to withraw must do so before May 25th. Where one person is nominated for different offices, he should withdraw from all but one, as it would not do for one person to hold two separate offices if elected.

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	3c blue	6c
	5c green	4c
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1891	1c purple*	8c
	2c blue*	4c
	3c lilac*	6c
	5c orange	3c
1892	2c on 3c slate*	6c
1893	1c red lilac	2c
	2c blue	2c
	5c orange	2c
	7c red	3c
	20c brown	18c
1896	1c light blue*	2c
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	7c gray*	6c
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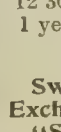

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The Outskirts of Philately

SECOND PAPER.

BY LOUIS G. QUACKENBUSH.

In my previous article in THE ADVOCATE on this topic, I promised my readers further discussion on some of the points raised therein. In that article, devoted as it was, to examining into the assertion made by THE ADVOCATE in the 20th century number, regarding the existence of a great host of stamp collectors who have no affiliation with philately proper, and are practically unaware what philately really is (collecting as they do in a purely casual way, without contact with any other collectors and without paying any attention to our philatelic journals) it was manifestly impossible to do more than suggest the query; in what way can this class of collectors be reached and interested in the broader phases of stamp collecting? This query, presenting many sides for consideration, is one not easily answered. It is a hard nut to crack and I am not so egotistical as to believe that, alone and unaided, I can point out the proper way to crack it. But I can at least point out what I believe are the most feasible steps that could be taken and this is my present purpose.

We may divide the matter for convenience into three sections: first what can private collectors and philatelic societies do toward this end; second, what can dealers do; third, what can our stamp journals do. It might seem at first sight as though private collectors could do very little; but in reality they can, if they will, form an extremely powerful factor in spreading the gospel of philately. Philatelists are, as a rule, much given to hiding their lights under a bushel. A fear of being misundertood by outsiders, a feeling that their non-philatelic friends will view their hobby as something trivial and childish, causes many collectors to zealously keep secret their philatelic proclivities. This is especially so in the smaller towns, where everyone knows everyone else. The collector corresponds freely with philatelists residing in other localities. When visiting the larger cities he takes pleasure in calling upon other stampmen. But "around home" he doesn't care to have anyone know that he collects.

Every man of course has a right to do as he pleases in such matters. But the philatelist who takes this course thereby very often loses splendid opportunities of making active collectors of persons whose interest is attracted to stamps in some casual and accidental way and who only need the fostering aid and encouragement of an experienced philatelist to really take up the pursuit in earnest, and who without such aid, are not likely to ever get far initiated into the pleasant mazes of stampdom. But suppose a philatelist is at all times

openly enthusiastic over his hobby, not only does not oonceal it, but is constantly bringing it before the notice of his friends. That man is a living, walking, speaking advertisement for philately and its attractions. If he be a man of any standing himself, he gives to stamp collecting a recognized standing in his own community; and he is for that particular region the accepted high priest and prophet of the cult. Does anyone discover on old family papers, made ready for the burning, some quaint old stamps that seem worth saving from the fiery sacrifice; the thought at once occurs: why, Brown down there in the drug store, (or the post-office or the grocery as the case may be) is a stamp collector, I'll take these to him and see if they are of any value. Does any father become interested in his son's collecting efforts and discerning broader and more interesting possibilities to stamp collecting, wish to learn more about it. He remembers at once that that clever young chap Brown, the bright, goahead merchant down the street, is interested in stamps, and to him he goes for information. Does anyone for any reason wish to be enlightened as to anything about stamps or stamp collecting; Brown is the natural fountainhead of information. There are times, perhaps, when this becomes an annoyance. Young America in knee breeches, with his boundless thirst for additions to his 237 varieties, may sometimes sorely try his patience. But even helping the boys is a good work. If more of the philatelic army let their light shine in the same manner there would not be so many of the embryo collectors, ways and means for whose luring into active philately is what we are seeking for.

One good active collector of the Brown stripe, who is a philatelic enthusiast, heart and soul, will do more in a country town or a small city to infect likely candidates with the philatelic fever, than any other influence that could be mentioned. In a larger city, where the circle of one man's acquaintance and influence is necessarily much more limited, the results might and probably would be less tangible. But, nevertheless, there can be no question as to the good results that would follow if all philatelists, in all towns great or small, were to lose no opportunity of making known their love of stamps. There is nothing like personal work in any kind of proselyting. There is nothing that would raise philately more quickly into general notice than the entire casting off, by all collectors, of all reticence of any kind regarding their collections; and the substitution therefor of a policy of making as much of their hobby in general conversation as they would if it were of a more easily understandable nature. The man whose hobby is dogs or horses is always talking about them. He whose hobby is the drama, or baseball, or golf, or any one of a thousand other things that might be mentioned is only too anxious to enlighten those about him as to his pursuits. Why should not the philatelist be equally ready to show his colors. It is probably too much to expect any immediate and general resolution in this regard. But every philatelist who does turn over a new leaf and resolve from henceforth to give philately all the personal advertising he possibly can, will add new strength to the pursuit.

As to the philatelic societies, their part in the work is not so clear. As organized bodies, whose ostensible object of existence

is to advance philatelic interests in general, they should really be the leaders in reaching out into new fields and popularizing philately. But, unfortunately, our national societies are none of them, in their present state, in a position to devote much time or money to any such object. Their membership, even in the case of the very largest, is too small and the interest of the members themselves too lukewarm and half-hearted to admit the inauguration of any active campaign of education. Were it possible to build up a really representative society embracing all the really active stamp collectors on the American continent, forming a strong body of say eight or ten thousand members, such a body would be a powerful factor. It could engage in the dissemination of literature drawing the attention of the public to the pleasures of stamp collecting in the same manner as the L. A. W. has sown broadcast the gospel of good roads. The distribution on a large scale of attractive circulars and booklets of a character to interest outsiders in our pursuit is something that has never been tried. That if properly done it would bring large accessions to our ranks, I think there is no doubt.

It would not of course, be advisable to circulate such literature in a wholly promiscuous way. Business houses, young men's clubs, schools and colleges, and the houses of professional men and the better class of artisans and mechanics, these would be the places to which such booklets should go. Of course it could not be hoped to cover the whole of this country in one year, or in ten, no matter how much money could be brought to bear on the work. But certain sections could be chosen in which to push the work each year and this section circularized with so much thoroughness as the money appropriated would allow. Such a society could maintain a bureau of publicity, in charge of a competent and resourceful advertising man, who would devote his time to bringing the merits of philately as plainly and forcibly before the public, as he would were he exploiting a new brand of soap. Such may seem wild and utopian. Collectors it may be argued, are hardly philanthropic enough to contribute generally to the support of such an undertaking. But in reality every person in America, be he collector or dealer, whose holdings of stamps amount to any sum at all could richly afford to contribute his mite to such a work. We may not be in philately for the sake of making money; we may be the purest of amateurs in our philatelic pursuit: but who among us would not be glad to see the monetary value of his collection doubled or trebled. Any great increase in the number of philatelists can mean but one thing: a rise in values. Not an artificial, manipulated rise, but a real tangible appreciation that can be safely reckoned as a realizable asset.

And if it is thus to the collector's interest to help on the work of gathering recruits, how much more is it to the dealer? And how little well directed efforts have the dealers of America applied to this work. Whatever missionary work has been undertaken has been directed to interesting the schoolboy. Crawford Capen's magazine *Stamps* was a notable effort in this direction. Great things were hoped for from it; but it was neither a large enough magazine, nor circulated largely enough to be of any great value. Perhaps the most effective thing

ever done in this line was the big full page ads inserted by the Mekeel Co. some years ago in the *Youth's Companion* and *Golden Days*. These were especially framed and worded to awaken the interest of people who knew very little about real stamp collecting and from this standpoint, were the most admirable advertisement for Philately ever inserted in the public prints. Various magazines and newspapers of general circulation have from time to time been tried on a small scale by many other dealers, but the result of the experiment has in few cases been encouraging.

The most feasible way, it seems to me, for the individual dealer to advertise philately and his own business at the same time is by the distribution of booklets gotten up much after the plan of those suggested above for a national society, in the territory which would naturally make his shop its trading point. An attractive booklet, neatly printed, cleverly illustrated, and setting forth at not too much length the delights of stamp collecting and the ease and small cost with which such a collection can be commenced, ought to add many new recruits to philately and develop much new trade for any dealer of enterprise to reach out for it in this way. Such booklets sent out either by mail or by distributors in a house to house canvas, would reach many of those quasi collectors described in my former paper, who have a little latent interest in stamps and need only a little enlightenment as to how large a thing stamp collecting really is, and how broad and diverse are its features of interest, to become thoroughly inoculated with the philatelic virus. Very likely any dealer trying this kind of advertising would not reap enough direct returns at first to get back the cost. But he would be casting his bread on the waters to return after many days. Every time that he circularized his territory in this way, people would become more familiar with stamps and collecting, and many a man or woman who would never have thought of collecting in earnest had they not had the charms of Philately thus forcibly brought home to them, would be brought into the fold.

As to another phase of this matter touched on in my former paper: namely the policy pursued by many city dealers of keeping that class of their customers who are only casual buyers of stamps and know little about philately proper, as much as possible in that state of ignorance, with the idea that such trade can be better held on to than if it were more educated in philatelic ways and could pick and choose more largely as to where to buy, it will doubtless be hard to convince dealers who do this, that theirs is a most shortsighted policy. But so it is. Every dealer of any shrewdness ought to be able to see that his true interest lies in educating this class of people into real active philatelists; in making them acquainted with other collectors, and thereby inducting them into the social side of philatelic life; in bringing the best stamp literature before their notice, and striving in every other possible way to develop them into broad gauge collectors, Every dealer who does not do this is making a sad mistake. Every dealer who does do this is wise and far seeing and will gain and not lose by it in the end. Nothing that could be thought of would do more philately than for every dealer in America to adopt this broad minded policy.

Regarding the opportunities of the philatelic press, much is to be said; to much to allow of its being treated even in the most cursory manner at the tail of an already over lengthy article. We must, therefore leave the discussion of this part of the theme until another month. It is well worth a separate article.

Pithy Philatelic Points.

Sayings and Articles of Noted Writers Carefully Condensed.

BY GEORGE W. STARNAMAN.

The first issue of stamps for Tobago did not bear the word "postage" for the reason that they performed like many other British Colonials (e. g. Bahamas, Tasmania, etc.), the double function of postage and revenue stamps. In the lower half of the circle where the word "postage" afterward appeared there was a line of simple ornamentation, and when in 1880, a separate series was issued for the prepayment of mail matter, the old design was continued for the revenue stamps.—S. B. Hopkins.

In philately as in other pursuits in life, one of the main rewards and delights is found in witnessing the pleasures of others as they eagerly examine our treasures, with glistening eyes and exclamations of wonder and congratulation.—E. H. Hall.

In 1861 the United States issued a letter sheet of blue paper with a 3 cent pink stamp containing the head of Washington to left in relief, the same as the regular 3 cent envelope stamp. They were made in two sizes. They were used for only a short time and receiving little patronage were soon discontinued.—C. A. Coolidge.

A collection of one thousand varieties, neatly mounted, and in which every specimen has been chosen in regard to its beauty and historical interest rather than its rarity or value, is surely to be preferred to a conglomeration of three or four thousand varieties which have been accumulated without any care or thought.—R. S. Baker.

In my opinion, specialism has come to stay. It will gain in favor slowly but surely, nevertheless it will supersede generalism in the distant future. There will probably be published "The Specialist" but it will fail, because it will be issued before there is a demand for it.—W. Lionel Moise.

Fraudulent stamps of Switzerland have been rather successful, this being due to the fact that they were printed in Switzerland and put in the market right from the home of the genuine—E. A. Stigeler.

As true philatelists we should hail with joy the entrance of any kingdom or republic into the postal world. It is a great step from barbarism to civilization, and we should not let it go by unrecognized.—Every paget.

Little of the speculative enters into the U. S. departments, however. We know that just so many of each value of each department was issued. The supply not being equal to the demand, is responsible for the ever increasing value of the departments.—C. E. Severn.

Which derives the most pleasure and profit from his hobby—the ardent generalist or the minutial loving specialsit is, and must remain an open question. My advice to all collectors is—follow your own fancy and fear no faddist. "You pays your money and you takes your choice."—Wm. E. Imeson.

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58 If this number appears on your wrapper it signifies that your subscription has expired. Please renew.

Copy for advertisements for JULY issue must reach us before the 20th of JUNE or it will be too late.

EDITORIALS.

The Pan-Americans were placed on sale in most of the U. S. postoffices on May 1st The first we received were from our friend Mr. H. E. Tuttle, Osage, Iowa, who sent us a complete set, very finely centered. Mr. Tuttle has our thanks for the same.

Probably no other magazines are read by so many people as the copies of The Ladies Home Journal that go to a Connecticut lady. After reading each number she forwards it to a sister in Scotland, where it is read by the household and neighbors and carefully laid away till the end of the year. The twelve copies are then given to the stewardess of a Shetland Island steamer, who retains them until read by her and all the crew. Then they are left at a remote Shetland Island town, where they serve as a sort of circulating library, passing from house to house for a year or more, until they are literally worn out.

Mr. H. A. Chapman calls our attention to the fact that the 1c Canadian stamps are now appearing shorter and wider than formerly. We have also seen the 2c in the same condition.

Canada's Industrial Exhibition at Toronto is being advertised by cancellation marks of two different designs one with the word ing in a shield the other, words in an oval.

In answering advertisements always mention this paper. It will do us a world of good and will also help our advertisers. It is very easy to say, "Saw your ad in the ADVOCATE," or "In answer to your ad in ADVOCATE etc." Try it.

And now the philatelic conventions until the latter part of August.

We have decided, after due consideration, not to support any candidates for office in the D. P. A., through the official organ. But we will use our efforts to have the best men elected.

Some of the members of the D. P. A. put forth an effort to have the convention changed from Montreal to Buffalo, but as the plan was thought of too late nothing could be done.

"Success" the paper that teaches you how to be successful in life, is only $1.00 a year or 10c a copy at the bookstores. One issue will make you more confident of success than you ever were before.

Remember that the ADVOCATE does not discontinue publication nor combine issues during the summer, it appears just the same and even better than in the winter months. We think too much of our readers to do this, and, therefore, our advertisers increase their space in order to be sure of keeping their customers. Many, not all, of the readers of the ADVOCATE buy in summer on account of stamps being cheaper, if you don't believe it try an ad and be convinced.

When the *Philatelic Post* was first issued it stated that it was here to stay. We mentioned this fact and the editor of the *Post* did not like our statement, but now we are compelled to chronicle the death of the *Philatelic Post*. According to the last number of the *Post* they added 3000 subscribers recently; no doubt that was too large a burden for the paper to carry.

Next month we intend to start a new monthly feature: namely having a list of new issues of stamps which appear during the month. We hope it will be appreciated by our subscribers.

With this issue of the ADVOCATE we complete the largest volume in the ADVOCATE'S history. Nearly 200 pages during the first six months of the year; see how many other stamp papers can equal it; we mean strictly philatelic papers.

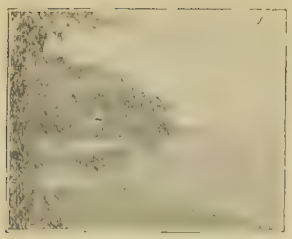
Every person securing this number will find a small slip enclosed. We advise all to read it. If you could only see the album you would willingly pay 25 cents for it alone. Did you send your subscription or did you subscribe for a friend?

The *Bay State Philatelist* calls its last number April-May. We notice they have combined issues several times during the past year.

We have received samples of the "Faultless" hinge the new hinge made by the Toledo Stamp Co. They are a very fair hinge and will no doubt satisfy their many patrons.

It took a long time to convince the large dealers that the ADVOCATE was a good ad medium, but they are slowly but surely recognizing it. Once they find out the value of our advertising space, they will never miss an issue.

The first stamp to reflect the changed crown conditions in the British Empire is the 1 penny Transvaal, with the altered surcharge.



PICTURESQUE ORILLIA

The City of Maples.

Eighty-six miles north of Toronto on the Grand Trunk, in that region of passing loveliness which adapts itself so admirably to the casual sojourner from the South, is Orillia, the northern "City of the Maples." An ever increasing multitude of tourists, campers and summer visitors from all parts of America annually enliven the city with their presence, and unfailingly plight their testimony that it is the "rose of the north lake country."

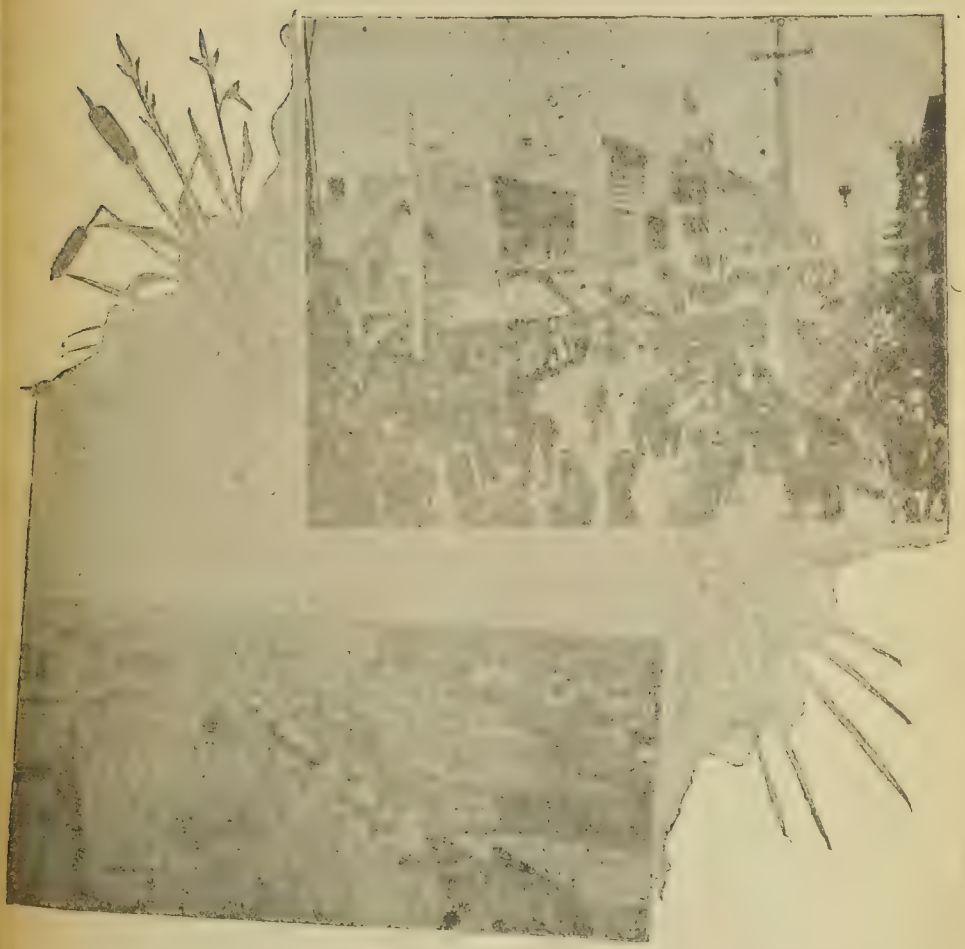
The population of Orillia is about 6,000, and consists for the most part of progressive public-spirited citizens who have the welfare of the town at heart. A power transmission plant is now being installed along 19 miles of rocky ground, and it will be the first of its kind to be owned by a municipality.

In the numerous fish-preserves and fishing grounds (for which the town is well known in sporting circles), the large parks, the bathing spots and the camping grounds the business man can leave his cares at the station and devote himself to health and sport.

Stamp collectors have an able representative in Mr. Ed. J. Stephenson, who we had the pleasure of meeting at the D. P. A. convention in St. Catharines. He is already at work increasing the membership of the D. P. A. in Orillia so that the members will be assured of a good time if they vote for the "City of the Maples." A well adapted room may be had gratis for all meetings also reduced hotel rates.

The secretary of the Board of Trade will mail a Souvenir of Orillia to any one requesting it.

Vote for Orillia for 1902 D. P. A. Convention Seat.



PICTURESQUE ORILLIA.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Precancellations have a new feature—they are dated. A one-cent green received from Montgomery, Ward & Co. of Chicago says "Chicago 4-1 Illinois" in three lines, with bar above and below.

An acquaintance of mine, an employe in an office has devised a substitute for the rather costly "watermark detector." One of the brass boxes which hold the No. 1 size of McGills fasteners, with a circular piece of thin hard rubber (black) put in the bottom of it is his scheme. He says that it is effective, that the rubber is not affected by the benzine and that the box is practically air tight.

The Director of Posts for the Philippine Islands complains that mail for the province of Quebec, (P. Q.), is missent to the Philippines (P. I.) A carelessly made "I" of the Spencerian variety does look like a carelessly made "Q."

It is about time for some influential dealer to begin advertising "errors" of the Buffalo issue, inverted centres, transposed centres, and omitted centres.

H. D. Shaw, advertised as a doubtful case in last issue, is evidently operating widely, as the writer received one of his requests for sheets almost identical with the one published, and the reference the same. Fort valley is quite a large village (over 2000) and a customer at that point inquired about the matter for me and stated that Shaw had been receiving mail at the office there, but had now left for other points. Always write to the reference.

Wiedlings Stamp News of Canton, Ohio is the latest aspirant for journalistic honors, it is not devoted entirely to stamp however, but contains mathematical and educational items.

The numbers of Pan American stamps called for, (stated in my last month's notes) are of course only an estimate of what will be required. If there is sufficient demand, any quantity required will be printed. They only cost 20c a thousand to print and the set costs an average of 5c per stamp, so every set sold to a collector and unused is a profit to Uncle Sam of 29 88-100 cents so he can afford to supply the demand

The high value revenue stamps of the present issue are slowly but surely coming down in price, and collectors should wait and not be in a hurry to fill up the values of $10 and above. "Cut" covers a wide variation, my collection has only the cut specimens above the $5, but the cuts, clean made with a sharp instrument, are barely discernible, and detract nothing from the beauty of the stamp. Go to a good dealer and get cut specimens rather than pay fancy prices for uncut, and wait anyhow, until the prices come down to a rate more nearly consistent with the supply. Compare the prices of the Civil War Revenues used when our country was much smaller and fewer were used.

The customs regulations of Canada are frequently troublesome for stamp dealers. The U. S. postal rules provide, in consequence of these regulations, that "sealed packages other than letters in their usual and ordinary form" are not admissible to the mails. Now the question seems to arise as to what is the "usual and ordinary form" of a letter. A letter containing approval sheets, laid out flat, was refused, while the same about 2 inches thick was afterwards admitted. What is the criterion, anyhow?

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1, 1894.

OFFICERS.

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President's Message.

Fellow Members:

Re: Nomination for the Presidency

In consideration of my having filled the position of President of the Association for two years, I deem it advisable to withdraw my name from the nomination list. In so doing I feel that my successor will have more time at his disposal to carefully watch the interests of the association, and further that the honors should be distributed as much as possible with a due regard for the welfare of the D. P. A.

I fully appreciate the honor done me of again bringing my name forward in that connection, but for above reasons have to submit herewith my withdrawal accordingly.

Re Change in Convention Seat for 1901 Convention. A petition was received from a number of members, also a similar one from the Philatelic Club of Toronto, requesting that the convention seat be changed from Montreal to Buffalo.

I have carefully considered the constitution and have concluded that Article IV, Sec. 1 makes it imperative that the seat be selected at the annual convention. The latter part of the article in question, to my mind, provides for a mail vote only in the event of the seat not having been selected for any cause. I cannot find any authority for changing a place when once decided upon according to the means provided in the constitution.

Should my views not be in accord with the members, I would point out that in this case, no action could be taken, as the petitions were not received in time to permit of a mail vote, as at least three months are called for.

The Convention will therefore be held in Montreal on the 1st and 2nd of July next, according to the decision arrived at last year.

Yours truly,
ERNEST F, WURTELE.
President D. P. A.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

625. Everett Tate, Middleton, N. S.
626. P. C. Grover, Norwood, Ont.
627. T. W. Smith, Port Dover, Ont.
628. Frank Brown, Toronto, Ont.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

R. Richardson, 460 King St. W., Toronto, Ont. Age 15, student. Refs. C. W. N. Ussher, A. Rene.

G. G. Fraser, L'Orignal, Ont. 16, student. W. Russel Brown, G. Starnaman.

Saxon Fraser, L'Orignal, Ont. 18, student. W. Russel Brown, G. Starnaman.

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John F. Kreissl 524 So. Robey St., Chicago, Ill. 18, postal employe. Starnaman Bros., John West.

H. W. Wendt, Orillia, Ont. 15, printer Ed. Stephenson, Arthur S. Foster.

H. T. Lauderdale, 75 Royalston Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. 21, bookkeeper. Marshall Olson, A. M. Sheldon.

Geo. Turnbull, Jr., Box 569, Galt, Ont. 16, drug apprentice. Allan A. Lees, Geo. W. Starnaman.

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Roy Devlin, Box 56, Pembroke, Ont. 16, drug apprentice. Gordon L. Cockburn, Thos. E. Davidson.

W. H. Leef Jr., Orillia, Ont. 27, tailor. Ed Stevenson, J. H. Lavalee.

The above will be admitted to membership June 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

CHANGE IN ADDRESS.

15. R. S. Baker, Oil City, Ont.
8. W. F. VanMalder, Box 511, Halifax, N. S.
518. Basil G. Butler, 506 W. Carey St., Richmond, Va.
48. W. Russel Brown, Box 363, Sault Ste Marie, Ont.

REINSTATED.

277. Chas. Wrigley, Toronto, Ont.
232. Fred P. Clappison, Hamilton, Ont.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	291
Paid up since	5
Reinstated	2
Total paid up	298

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$37.56
Received for dues, etc.	4.28
	41.84
Paid Official Organ	3.86
" postage	.55
Balance on hand	37.43
	41.84

A ballot is enclosed in this issue for every member of the D. P. A. As the elections are to determine who shall control the interests of the society, I urge every member to vote. Only votes on the official ballot will be counted. All ballots must be addressed to A. R. MAGILL, Box 1019 D. P. A., Montreal, Que. so as to reach him by June 30th.

The following are the officers elected by acclamation.

President—Raymond S. Baker.
Count Det—Geo. E. Davenport.
Auct. Mgr—R. S. Mason.
Attorney—J. A. Wainwright.

THE CANDIDATES.

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G. E. DAVENPORT.

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WALTER M. LESTER.

SECY-TREAS.—GEO. W. STARNAMAN.
W. RUSSEL BROWN.

SALES SUPT.—H. E. TUTTLE.
F. P. CLAPPISON.

LIBRARIAN.—B. H. SCHEWE.
E. V. CAMPION.
ED. STEPHENSON.

TRUSTEES.—CHAS. BAILEY.
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A Letter.

To the Members of the D. P. A.

In reading the secretary's report in the last issue of our official organ I was surprised to notice the small number of paid up members.

The very idea of any organization with a membership list of six hundred or over and a total paid up list of scarcely three hundred. In nine cases out of ten this is purely neglect. A member, when he or she joins, pays at once, and then never thinks about it again, but let that party miss a journal and then a kick is raised. It is never thought that their year or the quarter is not paid until after a notice or two is sent. If a person don't see the way clear to pay their dues let them resign and not hang on until they are suspended. We can never expect to have a society if things go on the same as at present.

Let every member try to remember when their dues should be paid and pay them at once. Fraternally yours,

Frank D. Murphy, D. P. A. 614.

JOIN THE D. P. A.

Changes in the Constitution.

The committee appointed to receive changes in the constitution have received the following:

No. 1. Article IX, Sec. 1, changed to read "The Constitution can only be amended by a mail vote taken at the time of the election of officers, or at the request of 25 members as provided in Sec. 3."

No. 2. Article IV, add a new section, No. 5, to read, "The sum of $5.00 shall be paid from the treasury to the members in the town or city where the convention is held to help defray expenses of same."

No. 3. Article V, add a new section, No. 3, to read, "No member shall hold two offices at one time."

Those in favor of the above changes vote "Yes," those opposed "No."

W. A. STARNAMAN
F. I. WEAVER } Committee.
GEO. W. STARNAMAN

27th D. P. A. AUCTION.

ANY ONE MAY BID.

Successful bidders will be notified, when they are expected to remit, upon receipt of which lots will be forwarded.

Sale closes June 20th.

Lot No.		Reserve
310	200 mixed India, Chili, Egypt, Etc.	.40
319	Canada 20 ½c four leaf	.20
325	" 25 assorted surcharges	.20
326	U. S. Prop. 3c	.06
327	" $2 mortgage, fine	.06
328	" $5 charter party	.07
371	" 500 2c brown	.25
374	Australia, 625 mixed (20 var.)	.85
375	Great Britain 15 var.	.25
376	India 160 mixed	.35
378	Canada 500 mixed	.20
379	" 500 "	.15
380	" 500 "	.15
381	" 500 "	.15
383	set of rubber numerals for pricing approval sheets, cost 50c	.25
384	Complete set of rubber letters and numerals (on metal base) 2 to 4 of of each letter, tweezers, pads, etc. complete, cost $1.50	.75
402	Canada four leaf ½ to 10c	.25
407	" 3p beaver	.20
408	" 1868 15c lilac, new	.25
410	" 10 5c registers	.08
411	" 4 leaf 50 1c	.08
412	" 4 leaf 25 2c	.08
413	" 4 leaf 50 3c	.08
414	" 4 leaf 25 5c	.20
415	" numerals 25 ½c	.10
416	" " 100 1c	.03
417	" " 500 1c	.15
418	" " 500 2c	.15
419	" " 100 3c	.10
420	" " 25 5c	.12
421	" Jubilee 10 1c	.10
422	" " 10 2c	.15
423	" " 10 3c	.07
424	" Imperials 25 green	.15
425	" " 25 lavender	.15
427	Portugal 50 asstd	.20
428	Spain 50 asstd	.15
429	" 500 asstd	.45
430	France 50 asstd	.10
431	Newfoundland 50 asstd	.60
432	Sweden 50 asstd	.15
433	Wurtemburg 50 asstd	.15
434	Canada 50 3c Jubilee	.20
435	" 50 1st issue Bill asstd	.25
436	Argentine 100 5c	.10
437	Canada 250 2c purple	.25
438	Newfoundland ½, 1, 2, 3	.07
440	St Helena *½ to 10, 7 var.	.70
441	Vaal River Colony * ½ to 6, 7 var	.80
442	Orange River Colony * ½ to 1sh	1.50
443	Canada 5 var surcharges	.25
444	1sh Bahamas (No. 16)	1.00
446	Canada 24 8c 1892	
449	" 27 Imperials	.15
453	Straits Settlements 25 asst 2 var	.15
454	2 app sheets 50 *stamps cat. $1.45	.40
455	Over 300 foreign on sheets cat 3.35	.60
456	Canada ½c Jubilee	.20
457	" 6c "	.35
458	" 8c "	.13
459	" " ½ to 5c	.40
460	" 3 var registers	.04
461	" 25 asst surcharges	.20
464	5000 foreign	.95
466	Newfoundland Cabot Set	3.00
467	Canada 35 6c 1872 some damaged	.10
468	" 25 5c beavers (some dam)	.10
469	10 sets Switz Jub. cat 80c	.20
470	Canada 260—2c Reg (damaged)	.30

471	Orange River Col *7—½d on Cape of Good Hope	.17
472	Orange Riv. Col *3—2½ on Cape	.35
473	" " " one V. R. I. *1p	.05
474	" " " two " *3p	.35
475	" " " one " *6p	.35
476	" " " one " ½p thick V	.10
305	Canada ½c Jubilee	.18
346	" 1st iss bill set 8 var	.15
348	" 2nd iss bill set 8 var	.15
350	" 3rd iss bill set 15 var	.15
385	" 100 C. F. Laws ass	.45
389	" C. F. Law 5, 10, 20, 30, 40 50, 60, 70, 80 $1, $2 set	1.25
390	" L. F. Law 20, 30 40, 50, 60 1.00, 2.00 set	.50
391	" F F Law 20-30-40-50-1.00	.15
393	" Gas Insp 50, $1.00	
394	" Electric Light 25-50-1.00	.75
395	" Ontario Law 5-10-20-30-40 50-90-1.00-2.00	.40
401	" 50c blue	.15
406	" 3p beaver fine	.20
409	" Jubilee ½ to 20, 10 var	1.25
448	U. S. Columbian two 50c	.50

Note:—The reserve bid is the lowest the owner will accept so don't bid lower
Send bids to R. S. MASON, Hamilton, Ont.

Back Numbers of THE ADVOCATE.

We have a few back numbers on hand which we wish to dispose of.

We will give 20 different back numbers and one year's subscription to this paper for 25c, or we will give the 20 different without subscription for 15c.

They will be mailed with next month's issue. If you wish them sent at once add 7c for postage.

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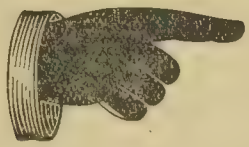

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Ceylon 1888, 2c on 4c lilac rose*.....
(Scott 133)..... 03
" 1888 2c on 4c rose*(Scott 134) 03
" " 2c on 4c lilac rose*.....
(Scott 135)..... 03
" 1888,2c on 4c rose*(Scott 136) 13
" " 2c on 4c " *(" 138) 04
" 1892-97, 3c on 48c slate*.... 08
" " 3c on 4c lilac rose*.. 04
Foochow 1895, ½,½,1,1,2c set of 5..... 12
Kewkiang 1896, surcharges set of 3* 10
Nanking 1896, ½,½,1,2,3,4c set of 6*.. 18
Shanghai 1886, 40 on 80c flesh*.....
(Scott 101)..... 15
" 1886, 60 on 100 yellow*....
(Scott 102)..... 25
" 1893-96, ½c—20c set of 7*... 30
" 1893, Jubilee complete*.... 50
" 1893, unpaid*..... 25
Crete 1900, 11-25l set of 5c*..... 20
Cuba 1862-64, ¼ r p on buff*..... 60
" " 2 r p vermillion*..... 30
" 1898, 1, 2, 3, 5m set of 4*..... 06
Germany 1900, 1m 2m..... 10
German offices in Levante 1889, 10p,
20p, 1pi set of 3 06
" East Africa 1896, 2, 3, 5, pesa
set of 3*..... 14
" South West Africa 1897,3&5pf* 08
Guatemala 1879, 1r..... 08
" 1881, 1c on ¼r*..... 25
" " 5c on ½r*..... 18
" " 10c on 1r*..... 18
" " 20c on 2r*..... 38
Hawaii official complete set, used or * 3 00
Mauritius 1849, blue*..... 07
Morocco-Magador 1896,set complete.. 40
Paraguay 1879, 5c and 10c pair*..... 30
Paraguay 1881, 4c brown..... 06
" 1884, 1c on 1r imperf*..... 05
" 1884, 1, 2, 5c set of 3..... 10
" 1900, 2, 3, 5c set of 3..... 07

Peru 1886, 1c-20c set of 5..... 05
" " 50c..... 06
" " 1c brown*..... 15
" 1894, 50c green*..... . 25
" 1895-96, complete set of 5..... 17
" 1895, 1c-20c complete set of 5.. 55
" " 1c-50c (Scott 141-146) set of 6 15
" 1898, 1, 2, 5c set of 3..... 05
" " 1c bistre..... 05
" 1899, 1, 2, 5c set of 3..... 04
Philippines 1889, 25c brown*..... 45
" 1892, Newspaper ⅛c, 1m, 2m* 18
" 1898, 1c*..... 02
" " 2c*..... 05
" " 3c*..... 02
" " 5c*..... 13
" " 6c*..... 10
" " 8c*..... 06
" " 20c*..... 20
" " 40c*..... 30
" " 60c*..... 50
" " 80c*..... 65
Spain 1850, 6c black..... 04
" 1851, 6c black..... 03
" 1852, 6c rose..... 02
" 1853, 6c carmine..... 02
" 1854, 6c carmine..... 02
" 1854, 6r blue bar cancll..... 50
" 1854, 4c rose bluish paper..... 04
" 1855, 1r blue..... 10
" 1855, 2r brown violet..... 05
" 1856, 2r brown violet..... 10
" 1857, 4c rose..... 10
" 1857, 2r red lilac..... 13
Uruguay 1896, 1c, 5c, 10c set of 3*... 35
" 1896, surch 1c..... 03
" " " 2c..... 06
" 1897, 10c red..... 05
" 1898-99 ½ on 1c blue*..... 02
" " ½ on 1c bistre*..... 02
" " ½ on 1c br. violet*.. 03
" " ½ on 2c blue..... 03
" " ½ on 5c blue-black*. 15
" " ½ on 7c green*..... 10
" 1901, 1c green *new*..... 02

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JULY 1901.

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9 " 7½p	15.00	8.00
12 " perf 3p	3.50	1.50
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2 " 6p	20.00	9.50
2 Nova Scotia 3p	1.25	.60
5 " 6p	15.00	6.25

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" " 1c bistre..... 05
" 1899, 1, 2, 5c set of 3..... 04
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" 1898, 1c*..... 02
" " 2c*..... 05
" " 3c*..... 02
" " 5c*..... 13
" " 6c*..... 10
" " 8c*..... 06
" " 20c*..... 20
" " 40c*..... 30
" " 60c*..... 50
" " 80c*..... 65
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" 1854, 6r blue bar cancll..... 50
" 1854, 4c rose bluish paper..... 04
" 1855, 1r blue..... 10
" 1855, 2r brown violet..... 05
" 1856, 2r brown violet..... 10
" 1857, 4c rose..... 10
" 1857, 2c red lilac..... 13
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" 1896, surch 1c..... 03
" " surch 2c..... 06
" 1897, 10c red..... 05
" 1898-99 ½ on 1c blue*..... 02
" " ½ on 1c bistre*..... 02
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A MONTHLY FOR STAMP COLLECTORS.

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Philately.

FRANK MOE.

"What good are those stamps going to do you?" "I don't see where the value comes in." Such expressions may be heard frequently by the collector. "Is there any money in it?" is too often the question with a great many. In the early days of stamp collecting, before we had even a recognized name, there were persons who found it a pleasure in collecting and classifying many colored labels. This proved so attractive that it was not long before this kind of collecting came much in vogue.

Edward L. Pemberton, who in 1861 founded stamp collecting as a hobby to amuse children must ever be recognized as the father of modern philately. Before his death he forced scientists to recognize it as an educator. In 1874 he wrote "To collect stamps thoroughly is far beyond the reach of most, but to be a faithful philatelist is not so difficult. To possess a fair exposition of the wondrous advance of civilization during the past quarter of a century in the remotest parts of the globe, can be done for a sum which would not be missed when spread over a few years..... ....The provisionals of the late Confederate States posess original claims upon us as matters of history, and that is the great ground upon which philately will take its stand for all time."

By the inspection of a collection of postage stamps, not only is the curiosity gratified but an interest is awakened in us and if pursued further we find this study connected with a thousand other studies. Those who have no knowledge on this subject cannot well imagine how much is to be learned by handling and arranging these bits of paper. It is generally thought that stamp collecting is puerile, but competent writers have often defended it against this unjust attack.

Although fragile and comparatively worthless, stamps teach us the history of nations by revealing to us the succession of the different sovereigns of the countries and the political changes in all the states of the globe. Dr. Legrand has aptly remarked, "They even sometimes retain the trace of events which are too fugitive to allow time to be spent in recording them in bronze or silver; and one may see that in certain countries pretenders to power have printed postage stamps before they have been able to assume authority and coin money."

The character of the people of a nation may be determined to some extent by the stamps they use. Thus a more or less advanced state of civilization will be shown by a greater or less degree of perfection in the artistic work. In the monarchy the effigies of the sovereigns are placed on the stamps while the republic is recognized by their symbolic devices or portraits of great

men.

Geography, like history, is closely related to the study of postage stamps, To the student it opens the geographical panorama of the world. Republics, whose positions, and even names, the collector would be ignorant of were he not brought face to face with the postage stamp of that republic.

Not only must the collector know the geographical position of the different nations, but he must also be familiar with the language of that country. country. This language he learns indirectly from his stamps. The stamps of the Oriental nations present a most interesting study. We have the names of the countries and the value in languages that are blind hieroglyphics even to the majority of educated people. The alphabets of some of these eastern countries require in themselves serious study and one who may say that the stamps of Asia have no secrets to him may be regarded as a learned man.

It is the object of the writer to place before the people the true benefit of stamp collecting, promote the study and diffusion of knowledge of Philately, and encouragement of closer intercourse between philatelists of the world and mutual benefit of all.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Private proprietaries are now legitimately a thing of the past, but the Marchand Company, fired by the success of the Lee experiment, have had 80 sheets of each value of the issue printed, presumably for collectors. "One of them is born every minute" and this lot of stickers will soon be reposing in albums.

The letter of D. P. A. member 614, in the June number, is good. The member of a society who does not wish to pay dues should resign and not wait for suspension. The members, often, who are most blatant in their utterances and most free with their advice while in the society (to judge from the list recently published in the official organ) leave by this method.

One of our reviewers complains that the writers of really good philatelic stuff are fewer in number than they used to be, ten years ago. But how much wider and newer a field writers of ten years ago could use: everything was new and the painstaking research necessary today to bring out something fresh was not then required The writer of today is in competition with hundreds where the one of ten years ago was alone, and consequently the good articles are divided among many, and no one builds up the worldwide reputation of the most discoursive writer of ten years since.

The inverted vignette one and two cent Pan-Americans are held at $17 and $20 respectively, and these prices are very low. Those who can afford to invest should do so if they must have these freaks as they will soon be rare.

The registry of the center varies greatly, the locomotive is sometimes up so high as to obscure the "United States" and again so low as to cover the figure of value.

Two editors of monthly journals in the United States have, by working out to completeness an old idea, lifted their publications from the rut and placed them among the books a philatelic library must have. The Fraud Reporter in the *N. Y.*

Philatelist and the Index in the *Philatelic Chronicle* are the ones alluded too. Both are old in conception but the various efforts in the past have been too much ill-directed to do much good.

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing had a hard time to keep up with the demand for the Pan-American stamps, They were printing 2,500,000 per day and requisitions came in from the post offices to the tune of 5,000,000 per day. And yet some of the papers say the issue is not appreciated.

R. G. Snow, alias H. D. Shaw, of Fort Valley, Georgia, has been arrested by the Postoffice authorities. Anyone having had dealings with Shaw to their loss should send the facts in to the Chief Post Office Inspector, Washington, D. C.

The plate number collecting in Pan American stamps is rather calculated to confuse. There are two printings on each stamp, but the black number of the center plate only appears once, on the bottom, and a strip of four stamps from each bottom, for each possible combination of the plates listed below will be difficult to procure. The numbers of the plates are as follows:

For centers,

1 cent—1113, 1117, 1121, 1125, 1136, 1156, 1168, 1170, 1177, 1180, 1194.

2 cent—1079, 1093, 1115, 1118, 1124, 1127, 1128, 1134, 1135, 1137, 1138, 1166, 1171, 1173, 1174, 1178, 1182, 1192, 1193, 1195, 1196.

4 cent—1142.

5 cent—1141.

8 cent—1143.

10 cens—1144.

For borders.

1 cent—1112, 1116, 1120, 1123, 1139, 1172, 1175, 1179, 1181.

2 cent—1078, 1092, 1098, 1114, 1119, 1122, 1126, 1129, 1165, 1167, 1169, 1176.

4 cent—1145.

5 cent—1140.

8 cent—1150.

10 cent—1151.

There are 12 border plates for the two cent value and 21 center plates, so it can be seen what a number of combinations may occur.

Has one of the ADVOCATE readers had any dealings with Bisbee, printer, Stoughton, Mass.?

It is rumored that a movement is on foot to have a special cancelling stamp to commemorate the meet of the stamp societies at Buffalo.

Chronicle of New Issues.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC—*Envelope*, 15c blue on cream.

BELGIUM—10c carmine on white.

BULGARIA—*Adhesive*, 5s carmine, 15s green, 5 on 3s brown.

CAPE VERDE—*Adhesive*, 500r black on blue numerals in carmine, 700r purple on yellowish numerals in black.

CHILI—*Revenues used for postage*, 10c yellow, 15c gray green, 20c gray, 25c light brown.

COREA—*Adhesive*, 10c violet.

ECUADOR—*Adhesive*, 20c gray and black, 50c light blue and black, 1s dark bistre and black.

GREAT BRITAIN—*Envelope*, ½p green on white.

GREECE—*Wrappers* 1l brown on grayish,

GUINEA—*Adhesive*, 500r black on blue numerals in carmine, 700r purple on yellowish numerals in black.

INDIA—*Adhesive* ¾c black.

JAPAN—*Envelopes*, 3s violet brown on yellowish.

LIVONIA—*Adhesive*, 2k green and brown. 2l. gray on grayish, 5l green on grayish.

MAURITIUS, *Adhesive*, 4c dull lilac and carmine on yellow.

MEXICO—*Official*, 50c black and violet, black surcharge.

MONACO, *Adhesive*, 15o gray, 25c lilac.

MOZAMBIRUE—*Adhesive*, 500r black on blue numerals in carmine, 700r purple on yellowish, numerals in black.

PARAGUAY—*Adhesive*, 5c brown.

SALVADOR, *Adhesive*, 12c light green.

TRAVANCORE—*Local*, ¾c black.

TUNIS—*Unpaid letter stamps*, 1c black, 2c orange, 5c blue, 10c brown, 20c blue green, 30c carmine, 50c red brown.

URUGUAY—*Official*, black surcharge, 1c green, 2c vermillion, 5c blue, 7c bistre, 10c gray lilac, 20c blue, 25c brown, 1p dark green.

VIRGIN ISLANDS—*Envelopes*, 1d red on white, 2½d blue on white. *Postcards*, ½d green on buff, 1d red on buff.

ZAMBESI, *Adhesive*, 500r black on blue numerals in carmine, 700r purple on yellowish, numerals in black.

The varieties in printing Pan American stamps will keep collectors busy. The 1c seems to have the most varieties. We have received them with the steamer touching the left hand edge, and they have been printed so low that the figure of value could hardly be seen.

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Your attention is directed to the ad on the front cover. Those who wish space in these two special issues should send at once as this is the last offer of cut rate ads we will make. All copy must be in by July 20th for August number.

When returning sheets to Mr. Willard R. Beatty, Pembroke, Ont., some one enclosed two sheets from another firm in mistake. If the party will send his address and particulars Mr. Beatty will return the sheets.

We are pleased to learn that James F. Irwin, St. Catharines, Ont., who went to

South Africa with the second Canadian contingent, has returned. He writes that he is still interested in stamps so our readers will no doubt hear from him soon.

Mr. Chas. Wrigley has opened a stamp and novelty store at 476 Yonge St. Toronto.

F. I. Weaver has accepted a position as reporter on the staff of the Toronto *Mail and Empire*. Before leaving Berlin he was presented with a silk umberella by his friends and a gold watch chain by the *Berlin Telegraph*, where he was employed.

Adams' 1901 Catalogue of Canada Revenues is out. It contains sixteen pages and cover. The prices have been revised to date. A catalogue of Revenues of each country would be of great benefit to collectors. The Catalogue can be had from W. R. Adams, Toronto, Ont. Price 10c.

The Wawanesa Stamp Co., report trouble with John Gullivan, Middleton, N. S.

F. B. Billings writes that he cannot get his sheets back from H. C. Ioor, Indianapolis, Ind., Sidney Singer, 407 S. 25th Ave., Omaha, Neb., Simon Johnson, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., Eade Smith and Joseph Dolecik, Holyrood, Kans.; Oloi Skjei, John Tellefson and Willie Johnson, Madison, Minn., Ben L. Moss, Chicago, W. F. Green, 68 Shaftsbury Ave., Toronto, and W. A. Mc Glaucklin, 6 Ottawa St., Toronto.

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Bargain Page

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JUNE 30th 1901.

We offer the following special bargains for the next 30 days only. All stamps are in fine condition and are away below any dealers prices in America.

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	Per 10	100
Bermuda Farthing on 1sh 1901	.20	1.40
Siam 1900 64 atts	2.50	—
Finland Mourning stamp	.25	1.50
A good selling novelty		
*St. Helena 189 2d	.55	5.00
German 1901, 30 Pf.	.10	.35
" " 40 "	.10	.35
" " 50 "	.12	1.00
" 1900 1 mark	.20	1.50
" " 2 "	.45	3.50
" " 3 "	.80	——
*New Brunswick, 5c green	.15	1.10
Congo 1896 40c	.60	5.50
" 1894 5 franc	3.10	——
Niger Coast, 1892, 2d, green	1.00	—
" " 1894, 2½d, blue	.70	——
" " " 5d, violet	1.35	——
" " " 1s, black	3.00	——
" " 1899, 2½d blue	.50	——
Belgium 1900 10 carmine	.05	.30
Gold Coast 1900 6d	60	5.00
Soudan Camel Post, 10 piastre	3.50	——

Queensland 1886 postally used
10 shillings Brown each 1.10
2 s 6 pence vermillion each 65c.
1 pound dark green handsome stamp very fine each $1.10.

Canada Jubilee $2 each 60c.		
" " $5 " 1.25.		
*British Guiana Jubilee 1c	.18	1.60
" " " 2c	.35	2.90
Switzerland 3 franc 1900	.15	.90
United States 50c orange	.55	4.50
" " 1.00 black	2.25	——
" " 15 olive	.10	.80

Belgium 1884 2 francs, postally used Catalogued 20c a, very rare stamp, exceptionally cheap, price 10 50c,		100 35c
*Malta 1901 farthing	.10	.70
Greece 1891 50 L. green cat. 18c	.30	2.00
Japan 1900 3 carmine, wedding	.10	.60
Russia 1 rouble 1889	.80	——
Portugal 1898 65 reis cat. 5c	.10	.70
Tunis 5 franc. fine	4 90	
*Servia 1894-96 1d blue-green with o. g.. Catalogued 50c mint condition	75	6.50
Liberia, 1880, 6c used	.90	7.00
" " 12c "	.90	7.00
" " 24c "	.90	7.00

Netherlands.

1852 5 milky blue	.60	5.00
1852 10 " "	.15	1.00
1864 5 " "	.25	2.00
1894 10 " "	.20	1.30
1888 7½ " "	.18	1.25
1891 22½ " "	.20	1.60
1891 50 " "	.20	1.25
1891 2 gulden 50	2.10	——
1896 50c green and brown	.20	1.25
1896 1 gulden	.55	5.00
1899 5 gulden extra fine (ea. 80c)	7.00	——
1898 1 "	.70	6.75
1899 50c	.20	1.35
1899 2½ guldens (each 35c)	3.00	——
1899 5 " (" 75c)	7.00	——
*Transvaal 1895 1d dull rose Jubilee, good selling stamp	.30	2.50
*Salvador 1867, ½r blue cat 6c ea	.15	1.00
" 1867, 1r red " 6c "	.15	1.10

They are very saleable cheap stamps and at half other dealers prices

	Per 10	100
Transvaal 1887, 25 green postally used, picked copies each $4.00		
French 1901 25	.05	.30

Salvador.

1867 ½r used, cat. 10	.15	1.25
" 1r " " 10	.15	1.25
" 4r " " 75	1.25	12.00
Canada 1893, 50c blue	.90	7.50
Labuan 18c error	.30	2.40

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1892 engraved fine set catalog 4.95. 2,6,8,12,16,40c	11.00	
1893, 1,2,3,5,6,8,12,12,18,24c	2.70	25.00
1897, 1,2,3,5,6,8,12,18,24c	2.20	20.00
1896, 25,50,1.00 cat 1.10 set	2.80	26.00
*1896 Jubilee complete 1 to 8c	1.85	——
Soudan 1898 Camel Post1, 2, 3, 5m	.80	——
Uruguay 10 kinds all different	.90	7.50
Servia 1891-5, 10 kinds cat 25c	.60	4.00

*Abyssinia complete sets 14 stamps catalogue 6.61 set, fine well centered stamps, cheapest price in the world, per 10 sets 8.00, per 20 sets 15.00

*Means unused.

MIXTURES.

	Per 100	pr 1000
Greece, well mixed	.15	1.20
French Colonies fine lot 1c to 25c about 25 kinds to 100	.50	——
Hayti, 1893-1900 fine lot	1.10	——
Uruguay 10 kinds	.60	5.50

Not less than 5 or 50 at 10 or 100 rates.

	Per 100	1000
Bulgaria, old and new issues well mixed	.20	1.75
Gold Coast 4 kinds evenly asst	.80	7.00
Tunis Good Mixture	.50	3.50
Canada Law Stamps fine asst	.50	4.50
British Guiana fine mixture 9 kinds	.60	5.00
Straits Settlements, native states Johore, Selangor, Perak, N. Sem-Sembilan, 15 kinds	1.00	——

Wanted Pan=Americans.

will pay as follows;

Take any quantity.	1c - 20c per 100	
Spot cash on day of receipt.	2c - 10c "	"
	4c - 1.25 "	"
Must be cleaned off paper and not damaged	5c - 2.00 "	"
	8c - 2.25 "	"
	10c - 1.75 "	"

SETS

	Per 10 sets.	Per 100 sets
*Hayti 1896, 3,5,7,20; 1898, 2,5,6 kinds	1.90	16.00

BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

1894, 1,2,3,5,6,8,12,18,24c	2.70	25.00
1897, 1,2,3,5,6,8,12,18,24c	2.30	20.00
1887, ½ to 10c	1.10	10.00
Jamaica 1900 1d pictorial	10	.45
Hawaii 1899 5c blue	.30	2.70
Tasmania 1900 1d pictorial	.15	1.15
" 1900 2d "	.20	1 25
(Beautiful large stamps fine copies)		
Omaha 50c	1.30	
Japan 1900 3 carmine wedding	.10	.60
Siam 64atts fine copies	1.35	

Order at once as stock is very limited in many.

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169-71 McCaul St.,

TORONTO, CANADA.

Pan-Americans.

One cent per 100 35c
Same, extra fine, lightly cancel per 100 45c
Set 1c, 2c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c 15c
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U. S. 1898-9 1-4-5-6-10c per 10 sets 15c
Same per 100 sets 90c
U. S. Pre-cancelled stamps well astd per 100 30c
1898 doc 14 var incl $1 gray $3 brown 10e

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8c Maple Leaf.

A large lot in mint condition to dispose of. Also maple leaf sets mint. If you need any of these state wants and price and you are sure to get them, as they must be sold.

H. A. PETERS,
BOX 637, WINNIPEG, MAN.

"Model Hinges," 10c per 1000.

	Cat. No.	Cat value.	Price.
Porto Rico	99.*	.08	.04
"	120-1-2-3*	.15	.08
"	109-10-11-12*	.07	.04
"	135-6-7.9*	.10	.05
Philippines	401-2-3-4*	.17	.08
Hawaii	214*	.20	.10
Labuan	72-3-4-5	.19	.09
Vaal River C.	141*	.06	.04
North Borneo	35-6-7-8-9	.18	.09
Siam	26 and 31d*	.10	.05

Postage 2 cents. *Unused.

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	per set.	10 sets.
Peru, unused all iss 13 kinds	.40	1.75
Peru, unused all iss 14 "	.50	2.75
India, 1895 2-3-5 rupees	.70	5.50
Belgium unpd 1895 5 to 1f com	.25	1.75
Labuan 1894 1-24c inclusive	.45	
" 1896 25,50,$1 (cat 1.10)	.50	2.75

Wholesale Mixtures.

We offer the following good desirable mixtures which contain only stamps in good condition.

	Per 100.	Per 1000.
Peru 1895-98, 9 kinds	.50	3.75
Greece well mixed	.15	1.20
French Colonies fine lot 1c to 25. About 25 kinds to 100	.50	4.25
Bulgaria old & new issues	.20	1.75
Gold Coast 4 kinds even astd	.80	7.00
Tunis, good mixture	.50	3.50
Canada Law stamps, fine	.50	4.50
Strait Settlements, Native States, Johore, Selangor, Perak N. Sembilan 15 kinds	1.00	
Barbados, Trinidad, mixed 10 kinds	.50	
Grenada, Leeward Islds mixed 10 kinds	.75	
Gold Coast, Lagos and Sierra Leone 10 kinds	1.00	
Trinidad & Jamaica mixed 10 kinds	.40	
Mauritius and Hong Kong mixed 10 kinds	.50	
Newfoundland, St. Lucia & St. Vincent 11 kinds	1.30	
Strait Setllement 8 kinds	.65	
Japan 1900, new, 3 kinds	.10	.75
Belgium 1851-65 issues only	.40	
Servia, well mix many kds	.30	2.25
Argentine Rep well mixed	.15	1.20
Hungary 1900 "	.15	.90
Austria 1900 "	.65	
Persia well assorted	.65	

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Lot		Cat. value
1.	U. S. 1855, 12c black	$ .75
2.	24c gr. lilac, part perf.	4.00
3.	1867, 12c (11x13) part perf.	.40
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6.	1870 11c violet	.40
7.	1888 30c or. brown	.35
8.	1890 90c orange	.50
9.	Justice 3c bl. purple	1.00
10.	Navy 10 blue, perfect	2.00
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12.	same	3.50
13.	100 asst Cuba, fine lot	3.25
14.	same	3.25
15.	200 foreign, fine lot	6.50
16.	300 " " "	8.75
17.	50 U. S. and foreign. Reserve 50c	4.00
18.	150 Porto Rico assorted	4.50
19.	65 Philippines unused	2.75
20.	13 " " (reserve 55c)	2.25
21.	50 Porto Rico 1894, 3c	1.00

Send all bids to

THE STAMP STORE

447 WOODLAND AVE.,
CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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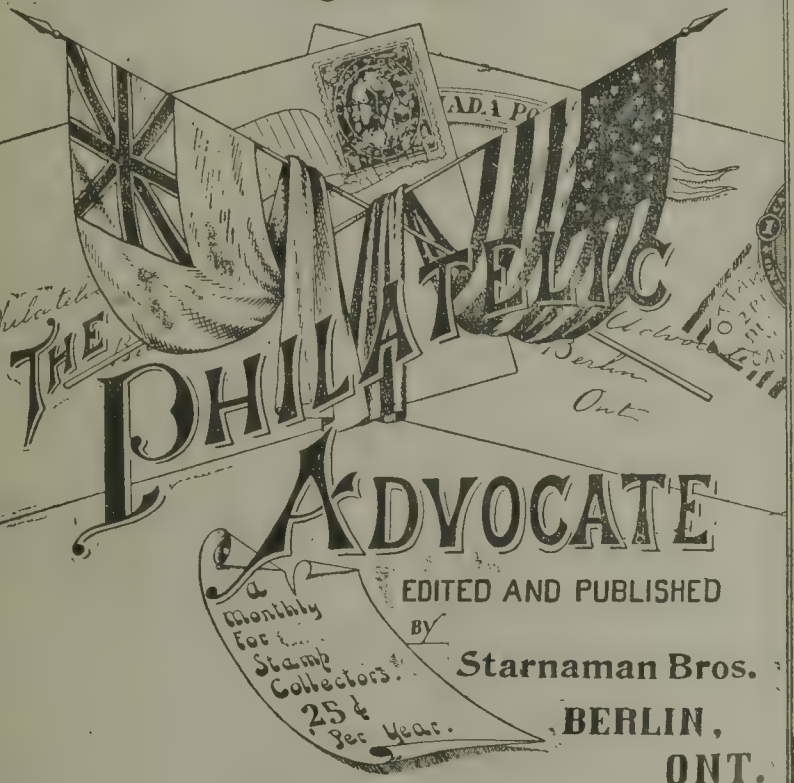

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Bargain Page

Notices on this page 1c a word, 3 insertions of same ad for price of two. No ad. taken for less than 10c, Four figures count as one word. No charge for address.

PAN Americans wanted. Will give 300 foreign for every 100 Pan Americans sent me. Everett M. Barlett, Newton, N. H. 61

GOOD exchange for common used U. S. send for list. D. B. Crockett, Avondale, N. J. 61

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1 years subscription for	10	stamps.
100 mixed foreign stamps for	4	"
100 different foreign stamps for	15	"
25 blank approval sheets for	15	"
6 blank approval books	15	"
1000 Perfect Hinges	25	"
8c unused Canada Jubilee	40	"

STARNAMAN BROS.

Box 104, BERLIN, CAN.

D. P. A. Election.

THE REFORM PARTY DEFEATED.

The Result.

(Special Telegram from Montreal.)

The result of the D. P. A. vote is as follows:

Can. Vice Pres.	
R. G. Widdicombe	135
G. E. Davenport	35
U. S. Vice Pres,	
Ross D. Breniser	30
Walter M. Lester	134
Secretary-Treasurer.	
Geo. W. Starnaman	110
W. R. Brown	64
Sales Superintendent	
H. E. Tuttle	108
F. P. Clappison	65
Librarian	
B. H. Schewe	10
E. V. Campion	82
Ed. Stephenson	77
Trustees	
Chas. Bailey	114
Jas. Whiteside	21
Chas. W. N. Ussher	73
Alf. Rene	59
Arthur R. Magill	118
E. F. Wurtele	122
1902 Convention Seat	
Toronto	88
Orillia	77
Official Organ	
Philatelic Advocate	123
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Changes in Constitution.

No. 1	No. 2.	No. 3.
Yes 124	Yes 112	Yes 112
No. 13	No. 38	No. 32

*After the ballots were printed this paper resigned, which accounts for small vote.

The Campaign.

The D. P. A. elections are over and the results, while satisfactory to the majority, will of course be contrary to the wishes of those who voted for the defeated candidates.

The campaign just closed has been one of the hardest the D. P. A. has ever seen. A number of disgruntled office seekers set themselves up as the D. P. A. Reform(?) party and issued campaign literature consisting of booklets, cards, dodgers, post cards etc, almost without end. They even stooped to falsehood in the endeavor to secure election, and their literature was full of libellous statements for which they will have to answer later. These reformers(?) were not manly enough to send us (Starnaman Bros.) any of their letters but, thanks to our friends, we received them promptly. Regarding this Mr. Ussher, in a letter of June 24th says "I knew it was unnecessary to do so but *did not think you would get it as soon as you evidently did.*"

It is interesting to note that while all their matter denounced us in the vilest and most ungentlemanly language, still most of it contained a few words of praise for us. In the supplement to the B. S. P. we find the charge against us of two men holding five offices. This is untrue as we only held three—Secy-Treas. (one office), Trustee and Official Organ. The next paragraph says "these officers (particularly Starnaman Bros.) have looked out for the interests of the society. If we have what is the need

of reform?

The next received was a card stating that we held the three offices mentioned above (probably forgetting they stated five before). This card also said the Bay State Phil. would give three free exchange notices as if votes were to be bought by a few ads and not secured on the merits of the paper.

The cap sheaf of the trash sent out was a booklet of twelve pages $4\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ inches of which seven were filled with a concoction of falsehood and slander and occasionally a word of praise regarding the growth of our glorious society. One paragraph is given to the centralization of power at Berlin. It is for the best interests of the society that the offices of Secy-Treas and official organ are in one city. All copy for official organ should be in by the 20th of each month, but it often happens that applications or reports received as late as the 28th get in as the D. P. A. forms are held open until the last and the Secy-Treas being right on the spot can insert them, whereas if he were living in another town it would necessitate a delay of a month. F. I. Weaver came by his position honestly and is as much entitled to the office as a member residing in any other part of Canada. When a committee on Constitution was wanted, Mr. A. M. Muirhead appointed Mr. Weaver and ourselves as we had long been active members, and being acquainted with every clause of the constitution, Mr. Wurtele saw fit to appoint the same committee again when changes were to be made. The reformers(?) forgot when speaking of centralization that Mr. Gile, is President, Trustee and pub. of Official Organ for Bay State Phil. Ass'n., also Sales Supt and Off. Organ of Junior Philatelists. This is worse than Starnaman Bros.

The charge is also made that we do the printing for the society. We do, but all prices have been submitted to the President before the work was done, except in the case of repeat orders which were done at the same price. We have always done the printing for the society 20% cheaper than we would do it for any one else and once when tenders were asked for, our prices were found to be 50% lower than most of the offers.

W. A. Starnaman is charged with threatening to expel members and forcing them to apologize. Mr. Gile had published articles derogatory to the interests of the association and was asked to retract the statement or suffer the consequences of the constitution. Mr. Gile wrote that he had previously apologized to the President, although we never asked him to do so.

Any person who saw Mr. Ussher's actions at the convention at St. Catharines where he worked against the interests of the society although only a member a few months would be convinced that there are far better men for trustees than he is.

For official organ the Reform(?) Party asked for votes for the *Bay State Philatelist* a paper which doubled numbers twice in four consecutive months in 1900. They state that the publishers of the ADVOCATE refuse the association space without extra charge. This is false, as we give unlimited space for official matter, and defy the reformers(?) to show where we charged one cent more than we were entitled to. When the *Philatelic Canadian* was official organ the Auction Dept. was started by Mr. I. E Weldon, then President. He made a rule that the official organ should receive 5c for each lot advertised and we took the official organship on these terms. Later we made arrangements to give one column free and get 5c a lot for all over that amount but we never charged anything extra although at times the limit was exceeded. It is amusing to note the following paragraph in the same booklet in which they are trying to raise a quarrel. "It is a matter of satisfaction and congratulation to know that the life of our association has been one of steady growth and continued success. We have thus far been noticeably free from quarrels and contentions, from schisms, political deals and boss denomination."

Space will not permit a more lengthy explanation but in closing we may say that we hope those who voted reform(?) will remain members long enough to find out the reform(?) leaders in their true characters. The vote shows that the members don't wish reform(?) yet.

The Philatelic Advocate.

A MONTHLY FOR STAMP COLLECTORS.

VOL. 11, NO. 2. BERLIN, ONT., AUGUST, 1901. WHOLE NO. 60.

D. P. A. CONVENTION.

As there was no quorum present at Montreal on July 1st, no business could be done.

The reports of the officers were read.

The Secretary-Treasurer's report showed $37.41 on hand and 316 paid up members.

The Auction Manager's report was as follows:

Total number of Auctions.....	8
Total number of lots offered.....	346
(Last year 130)	
Total number of lots sold.....	255
Total value of Lots sold.....	60.59
Total value of commissions at 10%	5.95

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

To Commissions.....	5.95

Expenditures.

By Last Year's Deficit.....	.13
" Postage Account.....	2.75
" Stationery.....	.25
Balance on hand.....	2.82

The Sales Supt reported the following business during the year.

Fellow Members—My report for the year would be most satisfactory to every member of the association were it not for the substitution practiced by at least one member. I sent out eleven circuits with total sales of $125.06.

Commission at 10%.....	12.49
Insurance at 1%.....	1.28
Gain on Book a/c.....	4.23
Postage.....	5.87
Ledger, Circuit Slips & Rub stamps	2.00
Gain of Dept.....	10.13

I paid Mr. Marshall Olson's first claim of 2.75 out on above gain and now have $7.38 on hand. There is another circuit now out which ought to make the department at least a dollar richer. I will forward this money to the secretary to be used towards paying claims of members who suffered through substitution. The claims amount to 23.45 and are Marshall Olson $18.65, F. A. Quimby $3.00, G. C. Cuenod $1.80.

If these claims were paid out of the general fund of the association it would mean a payment of nearly $15.00. I strongly recommend that this be done. Although this is a large amount for a society like ours to pay, still it would not take quite all the money in the treasury as stated by Starnaman Bros in their circular letter.

I have a suspicion as to who the substitutor is but have not enough evidence to publically expose him. I wrote the chairman of the trustees Mr. W. A. Starnaman telling of my suspicion, stating name of person suspected, and why I thought the party guilty. Mr. Starnaman acknowledged receipt of this letter and he afterwards wrote Mr. M. Olson and stated in the letter "Mr. W. R. Brown claims to know the substiter but refuses to give the trustees any information."

Fellow members I can prove that that statement is entirely false and will take the matter up with the trustees elect, would

I regret that the society has been a loser during my term of office and will do everything in my power to catch the substituter. When the new superintedent is elected I will communicate with him and arrange a plan to detect the guilty party.

Yours for the success of our society.

W. RUSSELL BROWN, Sales Supt.

Fellow Members;—

It is with regret that I have to report that the convention here was not a success principally because members did not take enough interest to come to Montreal although a good time was promised them.

It may be remembered that the President appointed a committee of three —Hew Wood, James Wurtele & myself to arrange matters for the convention. I have to report, however that both of my associates after having accepted the nomination, withdrew, leaving me to make all arrangements. In closing I would like to state that I did my very best to make the Convention a success. Hoping that Toronto will have better luck in 1902 than Montreal did in 1901, I remain,

Very respectfully yours,
A. R. MAGILL.

President's Message.

To Officers and Members, Dominion Philatelic Association.

Gentlemen—I regret exceedingly, that owing to the Militia Authorities having selected the latter part of June for the Annual Training of the 10th Brigade, at Levis, Que., that it will not permit of my being in attendance at the Annual Convention, I regret this the more, as I had made arrangements to attend and had looked forward to the occasion for some months past.

However the Regiment to which I belong is under canvas now and I have but a few moments of leisure time to send a few words in the form of an address.

I trust that the coming Convention will prove better attended than heretofore, and that all matters dealt with, will be on a broad minded basis and for the general welfare of the association and not for a few members having personal interests to forward to the detriment of the whole membership.

Our success mainly depends upon united action for a common purpose and unless this is fully considered, and seriously too, it may be the commencement of the dissolution of our National Association. During the past year, I have had ample, and which I have regretted, opportunities to note a want of proper confidence between different sections of the Members.

Considerable experience has taught me that the usual fate of a philatelic society in Canada, has been two or more years of good work, followed by discontent, principally due to the question of office bearers. In order to overcome this difficulty let us maintain the Society to a standard to honor our country in every respect. Select good representatives to fill the different offices and when elected, support them faithfully and loyally which will result in good to all interested in our hobby.

Wishing you all a most prosperous and enjoyable Convention and regretting that circumstances over which I have no control, prevent me from being with you on this occasion.

Believe me, Gentlemen,
Yours very truly,
ERNEST F. WURTELE.
President D. P. A.

The result of the vote will be found on page 13.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

A thief at the Buffalo Exposition made a truly juicy haul in stamps from the official exhibit, getting pretty nearly complete sets of the postal issues, including the errors and high value State Department stamps.

The Marchand "remainders" have been turned over to an agent in Chicago for sale and are offered by him for $2.50, the set has a nominal face value of 21¼ cents. Eighty sheets of each value were printed and delivered about the beginning of the fiscal year, so there will be a plentiful supply of sets.

Fraud orders have been issued by the Department against The Lottery Company

of Monterey, Mexico, and Ernst Harmson & Co., of Hamburg, Germany.

There is some dissatisfaction at the action of the government in declining to redeem the obsolete revenue stamps in less amounts than $2, but after all, this is a reasonable minimum. The documentary stamps are still available to some extent and can be disposed of in almost all cases, while the proprietary stamps should be in the hands of druggists mostly and these can turn them over to the wholesaler. Banks are almost always willing to take over the stamps and forward them for redemption, as an accomodation.

In the standard catalogue there are a number of entires of the stamps of one country used in another country. The stamps of Chile used in Peru, the C. E. F. stamps of India, Antigua stamps used in St. Kitts, and many others. To this list should now be added the stamps of the United States used in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. Of course this does not refer to the overprinted stamps, but to the regular United States stamp, the only proof of the peculiar use of which is in the postmark. Of necessity these stamps must be collected on the original cover, or at least so much of it as will show the postmark. War was declared with Spain on Apr. 21, 1898, and the armies of the United States landed in Cuba June 22, in the Philippines June 30, and in Porto Rico July 11. As the administration of each postoffice was changed from Spanish to American control with the forward march of the invaders, the Spanish stamps gave place to the stamps of our own men. On August 1898, the peace protocol was signed, and about this time, or a little before, the use of the overprinted stamps was begun. The plain stamps still continued in use, however, and at no time from the landing of our army to the date when the islands were formally transferred from Spain (this of course applies only to Porto Rico and the Philippines) has there been a time when the ordinary stamp of the U. S. would not frank a letter. The use of them during the two months between the invasion by our troops and the signing of the protocol, while the islands were Spanish property, and the following period to March 1899 while we held the land by possession, entitle the stamps of the United States used during that period to be entered in the catalogue under the headings of "Porto Rico" and "Cuba" and "Philippines," in the same as the stamps of various South African colonies are listed under Cape Colony by reason of their use in Mafeking besieged. The land belonged to Spain, Spanish stamps were not available, and United States stamps were used, not only by our men, but by everyone, native or foreigner, who desired to use the mails.

The varieties of stamps used in this way are many, and stamp available for postage in the United States seems to have been used here, the Omaha issue is quite plentiful and the writer has seen the 2 cent of 1890. The "Coamo" stamp, issued in default of United States stamps, is listed properly. Why not these?

Somewhat the same line of reasoning may be applied to the use of United States stamps by our troops in China, which correspond to the C. E. F. stamps of the British troops in China.

The sensation of the month in philatelic circles here is the passing of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co. as the leading stamp

firm. By its consolidation with the American Collectors Co. and the New England Stamp Co. a new power of capital, far in advance of rivals, has been formed, but everyone will miss the familiar name.

The sudden demise of *Redfields Philatelic Post* was a matter of much comment, but the news of its purchase by and consolidation with *Mekeel's Weekly* will explain. The Mekeel Publishing Co. has been incorporated under the laws of the state of New York. It is a closed corporation, consisting of Messrs Mekeel (I. A.), Redfield and Severn.

J. M. Bartels, the dealer and authority on entire envelopes has moved from Washington to 230 Washington St., Boston. He follows in the steps of Mr. Rothfuchs who some years since left the Capital for the Hub.

STAMPS STOLEN.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 6.—A daring thief made his way into the government building at the exposition at midnight, July 4, passed the four guards, and stole $4,000 worth of stamps from the postoffice exhibit. These were rare, uncanceled stamps, composing a collection of the issue of this government from the first issue to the Pan-American issue. Some of them are quite valuable and were borrowed by the government from private collectors for this exhibition.

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NOTES.

Owing to sickness in the family this issue is not as large as we intended. Next issue will be our "surprise number." With that issue we celebrate the end of the fifth year of the ADVOCATE. Send your ad now. See rates above.

J. H. Jost reports these two frauds: Fred C. Kimball, Leamington and Fred Aiken, Orangeville, Ont.

An unusual number of exceptionally interesting articles appear in the Ladies' Home Journal for July. Those interested in traveling will find plenty to read in this issue. 10c a copy, from the Curtis Pub. Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

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President's Message.

Gentlemen and Fellow members, –

You have deemed it wise to confer on me the highest honour in the gift of the association. While such a distinction was never sought by me but one which I have frequently refused to contest yet I am not insensible to the dignity of the same and the duties and responsibilites connected therewith. I desire therefore, gentlemen, to thank you for the honour and I assure you of my greater pleasure in acceptance since my election by acclamation leaves no defeated candidate.

As the official report of the annual convention is not yet published it will of course be premature for me to offer any suggestions or critical remarks for the benefit of the association. I may venture to say however that the election campaign through which we have just passed has in some respects been the most closely contested in Canadian philately. And indeed such a contest may not be without advantage to our society. But when the results have been finally declared let all election tactics cease, every difference be forgotten and let one and all close up the D. P. A. ranks and march onward for another successful year. We Canadian stamp collectors are not banded together merely for the running of elections, the holding of office and the making of a few dollars on the part of some. We have a higher. a nobler aim than that. If I may quote from the Constitution we rather seek "to acquire a knowledge of philately, to cultivate a feeling of friendship among philatelists and to give the members an opportunity to buy sell and exchange stamps." However valuable all other auxiliaries may be, if we have not among us true philatelic friendship, our association is in vain. I therefore bespeak on the part of the members a continuance of the old D. P. A. spirit and even a larger measure of that charity and free masonry so generally connected with our beloved pursuit. Let it be borne in mind that we all seek not our own personal advancement but the promotion and firm establishment of a philatelic society in this Dominion.

It has always appeared to me that there should be but one national philatelic organization in Canada and that the D. P. A. had the right to fill this position. But however that may be, can we not by augmenting our membership to actually realize this ideal? We have already a proud record, an enviable reputation; let us see to it that there is not only a continuance of the same but also an increase of dignity honour. Before we meet in Toronto convention let us aim for the thousand mark. I want every member to add two new names to the regular roll during the coming year. Will you do it? Remember two new members each before we meet again and thus the thousand strong. Let it be done carefully, with due regard to quality rather than quantity but let it nevertheless be accomplished. Yours fraternally,

Raymond S. Baker, President.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

629. Chas. E. Derby, Elmira, N. Y.
630. C. H. Alley, Box 275, Petrolea. Ont.
631. Chas. Steinhilpert, Chicago, Ill.
632. Joseph F. Kraus, Auburn, N. Y.
633. Scott Bannister, Wilsonville, Neb,
634. A Smitz, Thz., The HagueHolland.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

S. E. Gamell, P. O. Box 26, Georgetown Br. Guiana Age 23, organist and teacher. Refs. Eden D. Kinzie, A. G. Rodrigues.

Wm. A. Richardson, Box 494, Peterboro, Ont. 18, bookkeeper. R. F. Wrigley, Clayton Campbell.

The above will be admitted to membership Aug. 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

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90. W. E. Elliott, Goderich, Ont.
171. E. A. Norton, 213 No. Park St., Kalamazoo, Mich
A. C. Roussel, 2411 St. Catherine St., Montreal, Que.
167. W. M. Lester, 2247 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Calif.
413. R. S. Yager, Oneonta, N. Y.
219. Ross D. Breniser, 1813 Berks St., Phila., Pa.

CORRECTION.

F. Q. McGoldrick, 8 Stanley St., Montreal

The list of applications is small this month, no doubt caused by the elections and many being away on holiday trips.

Any members wishing application blanks can have them for the asking. Say how many you can use.

The official report of the convention will be found on pages 15 and 16.

PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report	316
Paid up since	6
Reinstated	
Total paid up	322

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report	$37.43
Received for dues, etc.	6.63
	44.06
Paid Official Organ June	3.96
" postage	.80
Paid Official Organ July	4.06
" printing ballots	.75
" Chmn Trustees postage for year	.72
" Freight on papers to new Librarian	.45
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460.	" 3 var registers	.04
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464.	1000 mixed foreign	.20
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472.	Orange Riv Col 3—*2½p on Cape	.35
473.	" 1 V R I *1p	.05
474.	" 2 " *3p	.35
475.	" 1 " *6p	.35
476.	" 1 " ½d thick V	.10
305.	Canada ½c Jubilee	.18
385.	Canada Rev 100 C. F. Laws asstd	.45
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409.	" Jubilee ½ to 20 (10 var)	1.25
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478.	" 1868—½c	.11
479.	" 1868, 5—3c red	.07
480.	" 1869, (32) 50 1c yellow	.05
481.	" 1869, 50—2c green	.10
482.	" 1882, 25—2c blue green	.15
483.	" 1869, 50—3c	.02
484.	" 1882, 25—5c	.10
485.	" 1875, 10—5c slate green	.06
486.	" 1875, 30—5c " some dam	.10
487.	" 1872, 10—6c	.20
488.	" 1872, 19—6c some damaged	.13
489.	" 1892, 10—8c lilac	.12
490.	" " 10—8c slate	.08
491.	" Jubilee 10—1c	.08
492.	" " 10—2c	.22
493.	" " 10—3c	.05
494.	" 1897, 25—½c	.20
495.	" " 50—1c	.16
496.	" " 50—2c	.20
497.	" " 50—3c	.08
498.	" " 25—5c	.25
499.	" 1898, 50—½c	.20
500.	" " 100—1c	.04
501.	" " 100—2c	.02
502.	" " 100—3c	.15
503.	" " 100—5c	.40
504.	" " 100—2c purple	.10
505.	" Maps 25 assorted	.12
506.	" 25—2c Registers some dam	.00
507.	" 10—2c "	.10
508.	" 25—5c "	.18
509.	" 100 mixed Revenues	.35
510.	10 sets Swiss Jubilee cat 80c	.20
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512.	500 "	.18
513.	500 "	.20
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523.	" 10—5c beavers	.15

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525. Newfoundland 27—1c 1887 .18
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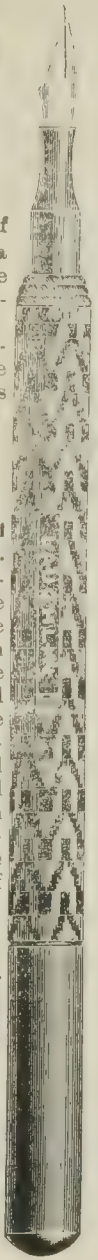

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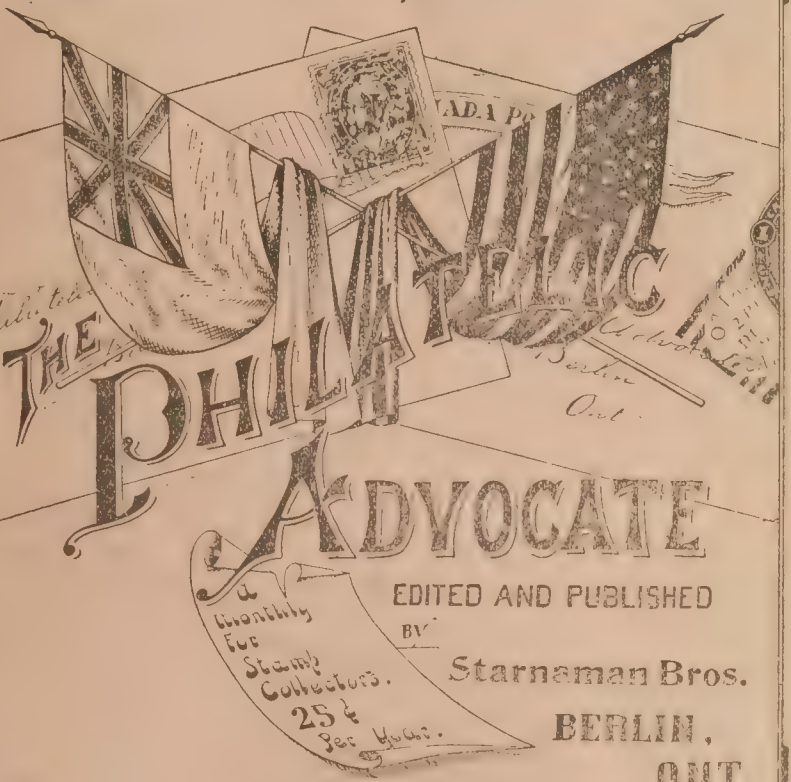

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My Experience As a Stamp Collector.

A True Story of a Collector.

BY JOHN W. MOOTS.

Last summer while reading the exchange notices in the weekly newspapers I saw that a number offered stamps in exchange for bicyle and watch coupons. One writer offered a three dollar and five hundred dollar documentary stamp for a certain number of coupons. As I had never seen a five hundred dollar stamp I sent the coupons and received the stamps which looked so nice that I continued to exchange with others. A short time after, I received a dealers price list which convinced me that there was something in postage stamps. I ordered several packets and also stamps on approval. Collecting then became a fascinating pursuit and as my stamps began to accumulate I conceived the idea of putting each separate country in an envelope. The unused stamps appealed to my fancy and I began to buy and exchange for them only. I was now buying from about fifty dealers. One dealer gave me fifty stamps free for buying five dollars worth from his sheets. A dealer who had mostly South Americans promised me a subscription to a stamp paper. His stamps looked so grand I bought seven dollars worth from him. Many of my stamps were perforated on three sides only but I did not know the difference.

In the first stamp paper I ever received, I snapped at what I thought was a great bargain "One thousand stamps for ten large copper U. S. cents." In return I recived a bundle with about sixteen officially sealed stamps on it. I thought I had a prize, but when I opened it, I found a lot of old torn and mutilated one and two cent U. S. present issue. Another fellow offered a bargain for a dime before 1839; this was as bad as the other lot, so I put them in envelopes and sent them back. I wrote to the publishers of the paper and the ad never appeared again. Another dealer offered a stamp catalogued eight dollars for four dollars to the one who first applied for his sheets. I sent the money and the stamp came. It appeared all right but had a little paper stuck on the back. I soaked it off and found the stamp in three parts; I sent it back and threatened to take action against him but found that he had defrauded several dealers and got away.

I had no doubt as to the genuiness of my stamps and having heard of a friend who was a collector I took my stamps to him to see if they were all right. When he saw them he laughed and explained that the majority of my South American stamps were counterfeits, and also some of the other republics. I began to think that I was a fool to waste my money—it amounted to about seventy dollars,—but after a

few days reflection I decided to try again.

I went to New York and bought an International Stamp Album and was advised to get a philatelic paper. I got one and then subscribed for fifteen of them and began to learn more about my stamps. I am now buying from ten dealers every month and exchanging stamps and coupons with fifty persons besides.

Most of the dealers advertise 33⅓% and 50% off and prices marked lower than catalogue. If you buy a stamp catalogued $20.00 and take it to a dealer he offers you $2.00 for it, so I came to the conclusion that the catalogue must be a humbug.

The best stamps I have received have been through exchanging. I received a 13 cent and a 5 cent Hawaiian Islands 1851-1852, which I understand are very valuable, and also a full set of Documentary stamps, series 1898, and I must confess that the exchanges are more honest than the dealers. All in all you must go through some pretty hard luck when a person is crooked.

On one of my days off, I was introduced to a philatelic writer, and I thought that this was my chance to learn something about stamps, but, to my surprise he did not have twenty-five dollars worth of stamps in his album and still that same man will have the nerve to write articles on stamps. Once I tried a new scheme. I answered two ads of dealers selling foreign stamps of the same series, unused. One set cost $1.00 and the other $6.00. I sent them to a friend in the place where the stamps came from to have them tested. When he presented them to the officials they were going to imprison him for having counterfeit stamps in his possession. I received the genuine set back which cost one dollar. The other was kept by the government. I was out $6.00. Then I thought of the old saying, "What fools these mortals be."

I have now over four thousand varieties, but I find it is no pleasant task to discover the difference between a counterfeit and a genuine stamp. A person must be temperate and have patience and then he can see the bright side of philately. I am now getting along first class with the aid of the philatelic papers. I can now tell the difference between lithographed or engraved stamps, take the paper off without damaging the stamp, and pick out any shade. Collecting has also learned me a great deal about geography, history and counting in foreign languages. A short time ago I started ten young men and girls in stamps by giving them each 250 stamps. If all advanced philatelists would do the same and have patience and teach the beginner, we would not have so many fake dealers with big displays in the philatelic papers, but more honest ones. They are not in it for the benefit of their health but for gold. If there were more honest dealers we would have more collectors as when they get "bit" once they generally give up collecting.

The next thing I noticed was societies. It appears to me that in many cases a dealer buys a book, charges ten cents initiation fee and places your name in the book, then for 25c or 50c a year you are entitled to all rights and privileges. In the first place the officers and members do not know one another. The President may live in California, the Secretary in Washington, the Sales Supt in Illinois, etc. When could they get together and have a meeting? I am a member of the

Dominion Philatelic Association and am willing to be educated to be a good philatelist and an honest one—no faker. My advice to beginners is to buy a good album, subscribe to five or six good philatelic papers and you can usually get the names of honest dealers and exchanges. Go to a friend who has a collection and he will tell you about perforations, counterfeits, shades, etc., and you will not be skinned out of your money.

I am going to organize a stamp association in Hoboken N. J. At present I have 12 or 14 young men who have promised to join. I believe a local society is good for the beginner. If there are not enough members in one place let two or three towns join hands.

I hope the beginners will not be beaten as bad as I have been, but will take a little lesson from what I have written and be on the lookout for frauds.

After Five Years—The Finish.

F. I. Weaver W. A. Starnaman. G. W. Starnaman.

Five years ago the first issue of the Philatelic Advocate appeared. It was a very crude number printed on a hand press one page at a time.

Mr. F. I. Weaver was editor and Messrs Starnaman Bros. publishers. The paper struggled along for a year with such success that the publishers were enabled to

add a new press that printed two pages at at a time. From that time the patronage steadily increased. After one year Mr. Weaver disposed of his interest to Starnaman Bros., who have had entire control since that time. Our aim has been to give as much as possible in proportion to the patronage received.

When we commenced the publication of the ADVOCATE there were few papers that appeared on time, especially in Canada, so we made it our main endeavor never to appear out of the month of date. In this we have been successful, thus accomplishing something never done by a Canadian paper and by few in the U. S. viz: the publication of sixty-one numbers without missing a number, doubling a number or appearing outside of the month which the paper was dated. During this time we issued one number containing 60 pages, one of 64 pages and our "Twentieth Century Number" with 104 pages.

Our job printing department has also been steadily increasing and this with the addition of a rubber stamp making outfit takes up so much of our time that we have decided after much deliberation that we must discontinue the publication of the ADVOCATE. We regret very much to take this step but anyone acquainted with the work of publishing a journal of this kind will know the amount of work involved in printing, binding, wrapping, mailing and addressing each issue. We have not come to this decision hastily—we have been contemplating the move for several months. We wish to thank our many friends for the support given us in the way of advertising and manuscript.

We have made many friends through the ADVOCATE and trust that our discontinuation will in no wise affect this friendship. To thank each person individually would be a task too great to attempt.

The last few years of the ADVOCATE have been very successful. In the five years we have had very few losses through dishonest advertisers. In fact we have only three bad accounts on our books and these were made before we adopted the cash in advance system. We offer the following accounts for sale cheap.

Williams & Co., Lima, Peru	$7.00
Matthew R. Knight, Boiestown N.B	6.10
C. T. Reno, Allentown, Pa.	.17

Our subscribers will lose nothing by this change as the entire subscription list, back numbers and good will of the ADVOCATE has been sold to Mr. W. G. L. Paxman, 592 John St.. Quebec, Que., who will consolidate the ADVOCATE with *Canada Stamp Sheet and Energy*. Mr. Paxman will accept our ad checks in payment of space.

We intend to keep up our mail order business and will be pleased to quote prices on anything you need in Printing, Rubber Stamps, Seals, Stencils, Key Checks, Etc. About Sept 15th we will issue a large illustrated price list which we will send free to anyone requesting it. We want one agent in every city and town in Canada.

We hope our subscribers and advertisers will give our successor the same hearty support they have given us.

Again thanking our patrons for their kindness to us.

We remain, yours truly,
STARNAMAN BROS.

Sellschopp & Co. are offering bargains on another page.

Stray Notes.

BY LEON V. CASS.

One reason for the popularity of the stamps of Iceland is the small number of varieties it has issued, forty-one, including varieties of perforation but not including shades and the imperf. varieties which collectors seldom pay any attention to.

Another reason for their popularity among our fraternity is their non speculative character which is all the more admired because of the speculative issues which so many small stamp issuing countries and colonies are continually grinding out in order to fill their depleted coffers out of our pocket books. Still another reason is the small sum it takes to get this country complete. Its scarcest stamps catalogue from $2.50 to $5.00.

To collectors of small means the European countries offer a fine field as a good showing can be made at a small cost. The recent issues of the various European powers are in many cases pretty and artistic and this will no doubt make this class of stamps more popular among the younger class of collectors who go in for beauty to a large extent.

The dumping on the market of some where near a quarter of a million Haytian remainders has caused a drop in the prices of some of these coveted stamps.

Some collectors and dealers who have a good stock of these stamps will no doubt feel injured because of the decline in prices but the average collector should exult as it will enable him to secure quite a number of stamps cheaper than he could have obtained them if the remainders had been destroyed as was the case with the Hawaiians recently burned.

Aids to Transportation.

As gleaned from a stamp collection.

BY GLADSTONE PERRY.

Many important means of transportation are pictured on the stamps in our albums, and it is very interesting to look them up and compare with one another the stamps bearing these designs.

We might begin with some of the earliest means of transportation, viz: camels and pack mules. We can see these respectively on the "Soudan Camel Post" and the Mexican 1895 4c. On the issues of Sirmoor we notice the elephant, one of the principal beasts of burden in India. Next in order we have the stage coach and wagon-trains used in the West. We see a typical coach on the Mexican 1895 10c, and on the 10c Omaha stamp we have a covered "prairie schooner" as these wagons are called. Pictures of locomotives are found on the stamps of New Brunswick, United States and Queensland. These are all old fashioned but more modern types are shown in Salvador and Honduras. A very unique one is depicted on the Uruguay 5c. 1895 stamp in which the engine has only one large driving wheel. The latest addition to locomotive stamps is the 2 cent Pan American. The automobile is also found in this set.

So far we have only mentioned land transportation but turning to ships we find on the commemorative issues of U. S. Newfoundland, Portugal and Argentine views of ships dating 1492-98, used by the early explorers Columbus, Cabot and Vasco de Gama. On the Chinese and Borneo stamps may be seen boats which are extensively used in the Asiatic coasting trade. Next is the full rigged vessel on issues of British Guiana. When steam took the place of sails we have the side-wheel steamship on the 12½c New Brunswick stamp, and lastly comes the modern screw steamer on the 10c Pan American and 5c Cuban.

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EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

Our U. S. correspondent stated last month that the familiar name of the Scott Stamp & Coin Co., would be missed by everyone. The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., write us that they will continue in existence, and will conduct their business in the same style and under the same name as in the past.

Readers who have had unpleasant experiences with Harry Rosenbaum, alias Henry Rosemont, Frank Duff, John Donnely, Thomas Rich, H. M. Rosey, George Dingeman, or Quaker City Stamp Co., should forward their complaints with the proof to Postoffiee Inspector W. J. Mehary Philadelphia, Pa. The man of many names has been arrested and the department wishes to secure proof which will enable them to convict.

An error occurred in the Traders Stamp Co.'s ad on the inside back cover. The address should be Traders Stamp Co., 341 E. 124th St., N. Y. City. The corrected ad appears on page 30.

Any of our readers interested in drawing should read the ad on the back cover.

With this number we cease publication mention of which has been made on another page. Advertisers who have any of our ad checks can send them to Mr. W. G. Paxman, 592 John St., Quebec, Que. or if you do not wish ad space, return the checks to us and we will pay you 17 cents for each check.

Exchanges are requested to send us a copy of their next issue and then change the address to W. G. Paxman, 592 John St., Quebec, Can.

To prove to that Mr. Paxman will have a good circulation, note the following. Mr. Chas. Bailey writes that the ADVOCATE gave better returns than any other paper on the continent and he also states that other dealers have frequently mentioned this fact to him.

The D. P. A. Sales Department is already picking up under the management of Mr. Tuttle. If you wish to buy stamps cheap join the D. P. A. It is a live, progressive association and has an excellent staff of officers to manage its affairs for 1901-1902. Send to Geo. W. Starnaman, Secy-Treas., Berlin, Ont. for an application blank and particulars about the society.

Success the up-to-date journal for young or old, continues to offer suggestions which will help you in your vocation or

lift you out of the rut if you are in one. 10c at all bookstores.

It is rumored that another Canadian paper is looking for a purchaser. Apparit is as Mr. Chapman says that publishing a stamp paper will not make you a millionaire.

We cannot accept Blue Dominion Trading Stamps for ad space, but will accept them for our offers on inside front cover. Send us all you have and we will give you good value for them.

We have received a 64-page price list from W. Sellschopp & Co., 118 Stockton St., San Francisco Calif. When you order from their ad ask for a price list.

To read a person's character from his face is an accomplishment which few posess, but which many would like to have. The study is an absorbingly interesting one, and has not only an entertaining, but a practical side as well. An article on the subject will shortly be published in The Ladies' Home Journal, giving careful details regarding the traits of character indicated by the different features of the face.

Otto Zepf, Jr., 777 City Hall Ave., Montreal, Que. warns collectors against A. C. T. Winkleman, Whirlinski, Hokianga, New Zealand.

The Scott Stamp & Coin Co , inform us that the new catalogue (61st) will be issued about the 1st of November 1901.

United States Minutes.

CONDUCTED BY USONA.

Philatelists who aspire to publish a a paper had better send for and carefully peruse the recent order of the Postmaster General in regard to the granting of second-class rates. A favorite method of the budding journalist to gain support is barred: "All subscriptions induced by premiums, chances to win prizes, or other consideration to the subscriber in effect reducing the subscription to a rate apparently nominal, will be held to be not legitimate within the meaning of the statute."

The Department has issued an order that hereafter rural free delivery carriers will not be permitted to act as agents, salesman or solicitors for express companies, letterbox manufacturers, wholesale houses, corporations or firms They may act as news agents, or as private messengers.

The progress of the postal service can be seen very clearly from a recent publication of the Treasury Department, showing the receipts and expenditures per capita for the service from 1868 to 1900. A few dates are given to show this.

Revenue per capita.		Expense per capita.	
1868	.44	1868	.61
1879	.72	1878	.72
1888	.88	1888	.94
1893	1.14	1893	1.27
1894	1.11	1894	1.27
1895	1.12	1895	1.31
1896	1.17	1896	1.34
1900	1.34	1900	1.46

The 10 cent proprietary blue revenue has had some curious fluctuations in value. In the Standard catalogue for 1895 it is priced at 50c, then it climbed to $1.00 and to $1.50. Now it is catalogued at 75 cents and fine copies are offered by reliable dealers at 15 cents.

We are informed that Mr. Abe Leve, of Oswego, N. Y., has bought the *Perforator*.

Dominion Philatelic Association.

Organized Sept. 1st, 1894.

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Tenders Wanted.

Sealed tenders will be received until Sept. 20th for the following printing for the Society. 1450 letter heads. size 8½x11 inches, printed on good, white, unruled linen paper with the following wording, "Dominion Philatelic Association. Largest membership. Splendid Sales Dept. Regular Official Organ, Annual Convention. Application blanks of Secretary. Raymond Smith Baker B. A., Pres. Geo. W. Starnaman, Secy-Treas., Berlin, Ont." In addition they are to have the words "Office of" and name and address of each officer in these amounts: President and Sales Supt. each 200;Secy-Treas. 500; Vice Pres. Can, do. U. S., Count Detector, Atty, and each of the three Trustees 50; Auction Manager 200. Also 500 envelopes for Secy-Treas.

Samples of paper and envelope must be sent with tender, and the successful tenderer must deliver the goods with all charges prepaid to each officer.

Address all tenders marked "D. P. A. Tender" to

RAYMOND SMITH BAKER,
Mandaumin, Ont.

Books for the Sales Dept are now ready, 5 for 10c. From H. E. Tuttle, Osage Iowa.

Sales Department.

Fellow Members:—

Through some misconnection my letter last month failed to reach you. However, I am still of the same mind, and thank you all for your assistance in placing me at the head of Sales Department. I am pleased to say that the interest in this Department is much greater than I anticipated; Twenty-one books valued at $171.92 are already in circulation. I can use more stamps and would like to hear from any others who would like to be put on circuit. The Department blank books to hold 100 stamps 5 for 10c. I would like to hear from every member who is not participating in this Department. It will pay you to do so if you buy or sell. Remember your interest in the society will grow in proportion as you use the advantages it gives you.

Yours fraternally
H. E. TUTTLE,
Superintendent.

An Explanation.

Fellow Members,

In the report of the Sales Supt. as given in August ADVOCATE Mr. Brown makes some statements that need an explanation. He says he told me who he suspected as the substitor. He did so, but said at the same time that a plan to fasten the guilt on the suspect had failed. He also states that the claims amounted to $23.45 which would not take all the money in the treasury as we had stated. He however neglected to mention a claim by H. S. Vanderburgh of over $15.00 which would more than take all the money.

As soon as it was found that there was so much substitution I, acting under instructions from the President, notified Mr Brown to stop sending out circuits until an investigation could be held. Soon after a member asked to be put on circuit and received two lots since. This is how Brown obeyed orders.

A glance at his report also shows that he collected 1% for insurance from sales only while the constitution plainly reads, "1% of the value of each book. Thus instead of having $1.28 insurance fund he should

have had a great deal more.

Yours fraternally
W. A. STARNAMAN,
Ex-Chairman Trustees.

Secretary's Report.

NEW MEMBERS.

635 S. E. Gamell, Georgetown, Br. Guiana
636 Wm. A. Richardson, Peterboro, Ont.

The above will receive their membership card and Handbook on receipt of dues to Jan. 1st 1902 amounting to 25c.

APPLICATIONS.

Allen D. Smith Jr., 380 N. 8th St., Lebanon, Pa., age 14. Refs. Ernest F. Wurtele and Geo. W. Starnaman.

William Fox, Town of Union, N. J., 15, student, Percy A. Gordon, G. B. Lewis.

Mrs. A. T. Gile, 33 Howard St., Melrose Highlands, Mass., 44, Herbert Gile, W. Russel Brown.

Arthur Mansfield, 220 Ashmont St., Dorchester, Mass. 17, student. Herbert Gile, W. Russel Brown.

P. F. Pinsonneault, Three Rivers, Que., 37 Photographer. H. E. Tuttle, F. A. Bellefuille.

Richard Pugh, Picton, Ont., 34, Preacher. A. D. Blair, N. R. Bassett.

The above will be admitted to membership Sep. 15th providing no objection is filed with the Secy before that date.

Both references must sign in their *own* handwriting.

When writing to the Secy-Treas. it is not necessary to register letters with less than $1.00 enclosed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance on hand last report.....	$31.82
Received for dues, etc.....	2.39
	34.21
Paid Official Organ Aug.....	4.26
" postage.....	.40
Balance on hand.....	29.55
	34.21

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

453 Servio Tulio Romero, San Pedro, Sula Honduras, C. A.
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PAID UP MEMBERSHIP.

Paid up last report.....	322
Paid up since.....	4
Resigned.....	1
Total paid up.....	325

For application blanks and full information address the Secretary-Treasurer

GEO. W. STARNAMAN, Berlin, Ont.

President's Message.

Mandaumin, Ont., Aug 17, 1901.

Gentlemen and Fellow Members:—

The association machinery is again getting into full swing and unless some unforeseen event occurs I venture to predict for the D. P. A. a most successful year. There are still, however, a number of matters which require careful attention and several points to be closely guarded.

It is with pleasure that I report a gradual disappearance of all the political troubles and personal differences incident to a strongly contested campaign. Let it be so. Any further reference to the election, than that to which we have already been so amply furnished, is quite unseemly, altogether inadvisable and only calculated to break up the association.

I regret to notice that the Montreal convention was not a success. This is to be especially deplored since the Annual Convention is a source of life and enthusiasm to all societies. Those of us who favored the change to Buffalo at constitutional risks must not however be too boastful for even there, however great the probability was no absolute guarantee of success. But I can assure every member of our association of a splendid convention next July in the city of Toronto. With our rapidly increasing membership and generally excellent prospects, the Toronto gathering in 1902 will be the largest and most successful in the history of Canadian philately. Regarding the preparations made at Montreal I wish to thank Mr. Magill for his time and trouble involved in the same.

In the official list as published in the last number of our organ I notice the secretary has omitted the office of advertising and subscription agent although such office still exists. It should have been entered

as being vacant. In the May number among the nominations the name of Mr. Rene appears as elected by acclamation to this office. His name also stands as a Trustee candidate while the vacant office of ad. and sub. agent does not appear at all. Mr. Alfred Rene of Toronto is appointed to fill this office for the ensuing year.

The report of the late Sales Supt. bears a serious aspect. I have placed the whole affair in the hands of the Trustees and those having claims against this department will please take notice. The secretary has been instructed to call for tenders for the association printing. I must urge upon officers and members alike the absolute necessity of giving *the full address* in addition to the name of members or outside parties to whom they have to refer. This applies especially to the monthly reports of officers. If Wm. Brown has a claim against the society the President and Trustees want to know where he lives so they can write him about the matter, without wasting ten days in just finding out the address. It frequently occurs in the list of New Members that John Smith is entered as living at Chicago or New York which is simply meaningless. Let the street and number be given in the list of New Members as well as in the Applications. Thus the work of the association will be facilitated. Please remember, full address on all occasions.

I have been communicating with the Secretary regarding a change in our membership card. The present certificate is very good but, nevertheless might be vastly improved. I believe in the D. P. A. having the best The lettering and writing on the card now used is much too crowded and there is no place given to the No. Mr. Starnaman informs me there are just enough to last this year and as I am desirous of keeping the expenditure within limits we shall continue to use the old cards and will discuss the advisability of a change at the next convention.

In the meantime don't forget to send in your applications for membership. Always be on the lookout for new members of the right kind. Remember he is truest to his philatelic society who seeks to build it up. Some are already doing well. Mr. Gile writes me that he has forwarded his two applications. Mr. Ussher says he expects to increase the membership in Toronto. Let the good work go on and let us all, hand in hand, with common aim, raise the grand old D. P. A. to such an exalted position of firmness and solidity that the fact of perpetual existence will never so much as be questioned.

Yours fraternally,
RAYMOND S. BAKER.
President.

New Official Organ.

Owing to this paper being discontinued is necessary that a new official organ be appointed. We wrote the Trustees asking them to appoint a new organ, but up to the time of going to press no appointment has been made. Officers will be notified where to send reports as soon as the Trusees' decision is received.

Canadian Collector's Loss.

A despatch from Buffalo, dated August 21st says "W. Kelsey Hall, of Peterboro, Ont., one of the best known stamp and coin collectors in the trade, was robbed of upwards of $2,000 worth of stamps and old coins while visiting the exposition yesterday."

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407.	Canada, 3 pence beaver	.20
408.	" *1868 15c lilac	.25
417.	" 400 1c numeral	.08
402.	" 1897, 4 leaf ½c to 10c	.25
427.	Portugal, 50 assorted	.20
428.	Spain 50 "	.15
429.	Spain 500 "	.45
430.	France 50 "	.10
422.	Sweden "	.10
440.	*St Helena ½p to 10p, 7 var.	.60
441.	*Vaal River Col. ½p to 6p, 7 var.	.80
442.	Orange " " ½p to 1sh.	1.20
456.	Canada, *½c Jubilee	.20
457.	" *6c "	.35
459.	" Jubilee ½ to 5c	.30
464.	" 1000 mixed foreign	.20
472.	Orange Riv Col 3 2½p on Cape	.35
473.	" 1 V R I *1p	.05
474.	" 2 " *3p	.35
475.	" 1 " *6p	.35
476.	" 1 " ½d thick V.	10
305.	Canada ½c Jubilee	.18
385.	" Rev 100 C F Laws asstd.	.45
389.	" " set " " 5, 10, 20, 30-40-50-60-70-80-$1-$2	1.25
401	Canada, 1892, 50c blue	.15
409	" Jubilee ½ to 20c (10 var.)	1.25
477	" 10 5c beavers	.18
478	" 1868 ½c	.11
480	" 1869 (32) 50 1c yellow	.05
481	" 1869 50 2c green	.10
482	" 1882 25 2c blue green	.15
484	" 1882 25 5c	.10
485	" 1875 10 5c slate green	.06
486	" 1875 30 5c " some dam.	10
487	" 1872 10 6c	.20
488	" 1872 19 6c some damaged	.13
489	" 1892 10 8c lilac	.12
494	" 1897 25 ½c	.20
495	" " 50 1c	.16
496	" " 50 2c	.20
497	" " 50 3c	.08
498	" " 25 5c	.24
499	" 1898 50 ½c	.20
500	* " 100 1c	.04
501	" " 100 2c	.02
502	" " 100 3c	.15
503	" " 100 5c	.40
504	" " 100 2c purple	.10
506	" 25 2c registers some dam.	.10
509	" 100 mixed Revenues	.35
511	" 500 "	.15
512	" 500 "	.18
513	" 500 "	.20
514	" L S Laws 20.30-40-50-60-$1.-$2 set	.50
524	" 100 mixed 4 leaf, 6 var	.30
529	set Quebec law stamps 60-70-80c-90c slate violet, 90c red, $1.00 blue.	45
530	Nova Scotia 6p yellow green corner cut	5.50
531	Nova Scotia *1p red br. repaired	3.00
532	" " 3p blue	.75
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534	" " 10c red	.85
535*	" " 12½ black (perf cut on two sides)	.50
536	New Brunswick 3p red repaired	1.50
537	" 6p yellow "	10.00
538	Formosa 20 cash rose	2.00
539	Canada 20 var. incl new iss. 20c	
540	U. S. Post Office 1c and 3c	.15
541	" Dues 1, 3c brown 1,2,5 claret	.08
542	" Treasury 90c dam. cat. 60c	.10
543	" envelopes cut sq. 4 var, 2*	
544	Confederate *2c	.05
545	Canada 52 1 & 2c present issue envelopes with 80 ½c on. (47-1c, 5-2c)	.25
546	Canada 1000 1c green	.10
547	" 1200 2c red	.10
548	" 200 3c "	.10
548	" 200 2c purple	.08
549	" 100 ½c	.20
550	U S 200 1c	
551	U S 400 2c	
552	Argentine 500 5c old issue	.20
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"	8c orange	2
"	10c slate	2
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"	12c violet brown	15
"	24c green	5
"	32c orange	6
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"	1c " 6c violet *	4
"	1c " 8c orange*	2
"	1c " 8c blue	2
"	30c " 32c orange	20
1894	3c " 32c rose*	3
1895	3c carmine*	3
1898-99	4c on 5c ultramarine*	20
"	4c on 5c brown*	6
"	4c on 8c ultramarine	4
"	4c on 5c carmine*	3
1900	4c carmine rose	2

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1894	3c on 4c lilac and black*	6
1896	Surch Ketahkotaan 1c to 6c, set of 6 var	45
1896-98	1c to 10c " " 7 " *	30

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1892	5c blue*	6
1894	1c on 5c green*	3
"	2c orange	4

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1892	1c green	2
"	5c blue*	6
1899	4c on 8c*	7
"	4c on 1c green*	20
"	4c on 3c*	10

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1892	1c green	2
"	2c rose*	3
1895	5c lilac and olive*	4
1898	10c lilac and orange*	6
1899	4c on 5c Scott No 25*	35
"	4c lilac and carmine*	3

Perak.

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"	1c on 2c rose Scott No. 32	5
1892	1c green	2
"	2c rose	3
1895	3c on 5c rose*	2
1900	4c lilac and carmine*	3
"	1c on 2c*	3
"	1c on 5c*	5
"	3c on 8c, new issue*	10
"	3c on $1.00 new issue*	15
"	3c on $2.00 " " *	15

Selangor.

1892	1c green	1
"	2c rose	2
1894	2c orange	3
"	2c on 5c rose	3
1895	5c lilac and olive	3
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